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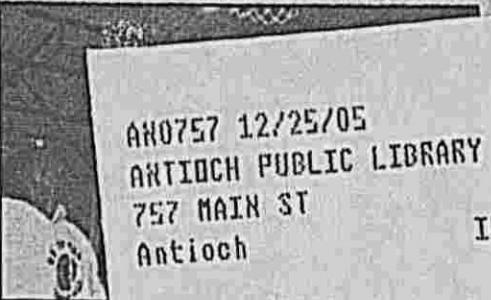
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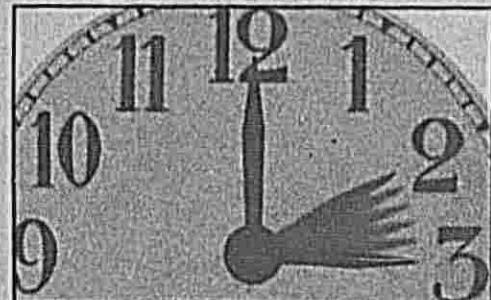


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AN EGG - CELLENT ADVENTURE



Photo by John Dickson

In an excited flurry of motion, young children run across Lehmann Park collecting eggs, during the Village of Lake Villa Easter egg hunt.

Board releases executive minutes from 'emergency' meeting

By Ginny Skwes

Staff Reporter

After the village board closed Monday night's executive session, the trustees voted to release the minutes of an executive session held July 29, as an emergency meeting. For more than a month Trustee Barbara Porch had been asking to release those minutes but there was always a problem. At the March 7 board meeting, the item had been left off the agenda and therefore could not be discussed or acted upon.

The released minutes indicate that Candidate Jim Parks, who is on Mayor Taso Maravela's slate, was part of the group to propose a rede-

velopment plan for downtown. The minutes indicate Porch asked Parks what his connection was to the other men. Parks said Kyle Benkert is the majority owner of the LLC and he, Kulat and one of the accountants had a minority position.

Trustee Mary Turner was uncomfortable at the meeting.

"I go to this meeting for all of us," Turner said. "Our attorney Bob Long was there and we sat through a meeting about the elaborate redevelopment of downtown. We never heard anything more what the emergency was about. It could have waited," Turner said.

"I think the thing was, that they had 12 people there, the developers, to tell us about the plan and they forgot to post the proper notice, so it

"The meeting smelled like old fish," Turner said. "Long was there and I expected good legal protection. It didn't feel right."

Mary Turner
Trustee

was an emergency," she said.

She questioned whether Park's position as a candidate and a member of the LLC proposing the plan was a conflict. Long assured Turner that it was not a problem because the village would be working with a group and not an individual, Turner

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Ano seeks township supervisor position

By Ginny Skwes

Staff Reporter

Reed Ano, candidate for Antioch Township Supervisor, said he wants to bring new energy to the township and give it a voice. He has been a township resident for 36 years.

"I'm positive I can do an awesome job for what I consider a stagnant position," Ano said.

"I would rather be proactive, and either I or a trustee would attend meetings of the village board, the high school and county board," he said.

As he campaigned, Ano said he was frequently asked who was the current supervisor and what does he do?

"We need to be visible. We will be leaders, not followers and we're going to earn our keep," Ano said. "I would have different office hours and make it possible to use an absentee ballot after traditional office hours."

"The township takes care of the roads and the needy," Ano said. "I know the size of the township roads but I don't know if we're doing enough for the needy."

Ano said he apologizes to people who he woke up as he went door to door seeking votes. He admits he woke up a few people who work the late shift and probable a couple of sleeping babies too, but he wants to give people a chance to talk to him. He also said he'll be out again this weekend.

Ano disagrees with the raise in pay for the supervisor's position, which was approved earlier this year.

After four years the raise and its increments will total 18 percent, and it was approved with a 3 to 2 vote, he said.

"I would want to repeal that pay raise. If I cannot repeal it, I'll donate \$10,000 back to the township. I would have run for this position with no pay," Ano said. Trustees are paid \$250 for each meeting they attend, and given up to two absences with pay, he said. Ano would expect himself or trustees to attend other local meetings without pay unless it was mandated.

As far as not attending all township meetings for the last year, Ano said he has a copy of the board meetings for the last year and a half and is aware of current conditions.

"I would give my word that I would be at every meeting," he said.

Ano said he also thinks there should be new grant money every year, and that the township should search for what's available.

"As Supervisor, if I got a call about a problem, people can be certain they will get a call back. If needed, I'd go out and take a look," Ano said. He learned the importance of responding to calls by running his plumbing company since 1979.

He also gives credit to his employees for giving him the confidence to run for office since he knows his business will continue as is, even without his constant presence. Ano said he has quite a bit of construction equipment that he would be willing to let the township use with no charge.

He would handle the larvaecide program differently than the current program.

"I think teaching other people how to do it is a better idea, and I would like to call on homeowner's associations for assistance in their subdivisions."

Ano has been a long-time local volunteer, and a member of the

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Growing up in Antioch, one of my favorite houses was framed by a beautiful white picket fence. Always bright white, surrounded by lavender and black-eyed susans, glinting in the heat of the dazzling summer sun.

This simple picket fence would come to represent what I truly love about Antioch.

It was more than just a fence. It was a gift to all who saw it. It represented the civic pride that continues to be so abundant in our small village, and reflected a profound respect for everyone.

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What I have learned over the past 20 years of political and community service within Antioch is that you can't build a strong village, without building strong neighborhoods. And in Antioch, as it is across our nation, the simple white picket fence is the backbone that makes America strong.

My father, a wonderful, hard working man once told me... "If you don't like something, don't complain about it. Change it." He also helped me understand that each of us has two ears and only one mouth...so we would be best served by listening twice as much as we talk. We have listened to you...the people of Antioch, and with your support, we will bring positive change to Antioch.

My colleagues and I share a vision for a better Antioch and have outlined a plan to earn your trust and your support in the April 5 election.

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There is much that is good about Antioch. We will make it better. And, as we all know, there is much that needs to be fixed. With your support, we will build a stronger community that will make you proud to call Antioch "home."

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Anglers vote Mike Gofron to win angler of the year title

The In-Fisherman Professional Walleye Trail pro anglers voted Mike Gofron of Antioch to win this season's most coveted title. They cast their votes for him to earn the prestigious \$25,000 Angler of the Year award.

Gofron is expected to do well in the first PWT tournament, the Optima Batteries/Berkley Pro-Am on the Fox Chain of Lakes. He lives on the shore of this system; it is his "home" lake; his walleye upbringing occurred on these lakes; 98 percent of the pros have never fished the Chain; and he is the favorite.

Add to that the fact Gofron has the most top 10 PWT finishes of any pro (28), is a past Angler of the Year

winner, a two-time Optima Top Gun winner, a Mercury Championship winner, a multiple tournament winner, and led the 2004 Angler of the Year race until Tommy Skarlis captured the title in a bold "go-for-the-glory" move on Bay de Noc last August.

With the votes tallied, Gofron was Number One.

The PWT season starts next month on the Fox Chain, April 20-22. Action takes place throughout the Chain, with daily weigh-in ceremonies at Haling's Marina in the village of Fox Lake, beginning at 3 p.m.

The pros will conduct a large youth promotion in conjunction with the State Bank Group.

Amateurs/co-anglers may enter by going to www.professional-walleyetrail.com or calling 218-829-0620 for information and entry blanks

The tour then heads south to Bull Shoals, Arkansas, May 11-13, to a reservoir which made the walleye "favorites" list when the PWT visited there last season. Gofron won that event.

The PWT continues to explore non-traditional walleye waters by

fishing Lake Cumberland near Russell Springs, Kentucky, June 1-3. Despite being full at the Illinois and Arkansas tournaments, and nearly full at Kentucky, amateur/co-angler openings still exist for the final three Pro-Am tournaments. They are in Mobridge, South Dakota, and two are in Michigan (Sault Ste. Marie and Bay City). These final events are set for July and August.

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The pro fields were filled in early February.



**OUR
TOWN**

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Skweres

P.M. & L. presents comedy

This is the opening weekend for the PM & L. Theatre's newest offering, "Mornings at Seven," a comedy involving two of the four Gibb sisters who have lived next door to each other most of their lives.

Linda Wilding plays Amy Gibb, and Dianne Hosken and Steve Wilding play Esther and David Crampton, all of Lindenhurst. Tom Quigley of Lake Villa plays Homer Boltenof.

The play will open at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings through April 16 and at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays until April 17. Tickets cost \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. For reservations, call 847-395-3055.

The Lakes Area Community Swing Band is a non-profit organization that performs many free shows throughout the year for local senior and nursing homes. However, this Saturday, April 2, between 7 to 10 p.m. The band is sponsoring a dance at the Antioch VFW hall post #4451, 75 North Avenue, in order to raise funds.

Everyone from teens on up is invited to "Swing into Spring" and dance to live music for only \$7 a person. Swing music began in the 1930s and continues through the '50s. It features the Big Band sound with an 18-piece band, which is part of the Lakes Area Community Band. This is the music that lifted the spirits of those who lived through WWII, and could do the same for people today.

If you don't know how to swing dance, free lessons are included during the night by Mark and Ann Greco of Kenosha, Wis. More information is available by calling Holly at 847-265-6595.

There are many candidates offering their time and talents for the good of the community. Each has said they are offering their services to their community, which is often very time-consuming and involves sacrifice.

The dictionary has multiple definitions of service, but the two that apply here are the occupation or function of serving, and employment as a servant. Therefore this is a noble gift that is being offered to the public.

However, decision-making power comes with the elected positions, in varying degrees. Power is a part of being a public servant since those who are elected will make decisions. The majority will temper it with the responsibility that comes with the job.

May the best candidates win.

First National Bank-Employee Owned is still sponsoring a blood drive at its Antioch location on Saturday, April 9, not April 8, Karen Kubin said. Go out and lend an arm.

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Ginny Skweres at 847-223-8161, ext. 154 or e-mail, ginny@lakelandmedia.com

Bullies in spite of zero tolerance?

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

For as long as schools have been in existence, there have probably been school bullies. It has always been a difficult issue to resolve because bullies are usually careful to make sure authority figures are not around.

One set of parents spoke to the District 34 Board of Education to complain of just such a situation.

The couple's son has been harassed since February when a bookbinder was thrown at him. He has also been hit in the stomach, sworn at and called names at school and on the bus.

The parents asked why it was their son who had to stay inside for recess when the bully is allowed to play, especially in a district where there is zero tolerance for bullying.

"We are sure our son is not the only one being harassed. It's very hurtful to our son," the mother said. She even offered some suggestions to correct the problem.

"We'd like to look into this a little bit," Board President Steve Turner said. "We don't tolerate bullying or harassment. Now that it's been brought to the board's attention, we'll move forward, or we will respond to you after we get more information."

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PARADE-GOERS SHARE BIG SMILES

Left-Eight-year-old Kacy Jonites of Brownie Troop 2611 represents her troop while walking Antioch's annual Easter Parade route down Main Street through downtown Antioch. Bottom-Anna Rudowski, 13, of Double L Equestrian guidels a miniature horse along Main Street in downtown Antioch during the village's annual Easter Parade. The village also hosted their annual egg hunt at Williams Park.



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Funding arranged for downtown redevelopment with new sales tax money

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

Twenty-five percent of the sales tax generated by Wal-Mart, and eventually Menards, will be allotted for the redevelopment of Antioch's downtown. Trustees voted five to one in favor of the resolution written by Village Attorney Bob Long.

Trustee Larry Hanson abstained from voting since he is a downtown business owner. However, he did have comments.

"It's not going to take long to lose the identity of downtown if big box stores develop on the east," Hanson said. "This is proof that the board is very serious about the downtown."

Trustee Bob Caulfield voted against the resolution because he

was not prepared to allocate that kind of money, without being fully apprised of all situations in the village.

"I think it's premature," Caulfield said. "Twenty-five percent is enough to accomplish the task, but it doesn't say what the task is. I think this should be a budget item."

Trustee Scott Pierce said he was a little dismayed at some trustee's responses.

"We told the town we would commit to the downtown, and we have to put our money where our mouth is," Pierce said.

The village board will determine how the money will be spent on projects, how much on infrastructure and what the long-term benefits will be.

Some board members wanted to

clarify the definition of downtown, but Mayor Maravelas discouraged further discussion.

The Pitman property, kitty-corner from the village hall, has been leveled, and many developers could come up with myriad possibilities. One example would be the project the Antioch Development Group LLC, including trustee candidate Jim Parks, presented to the board at an executive session promoted by the mayor. That plan included two six-story condominiums.

Trustee Mary Turner said residents she has talked to have all said they would like to see the Pitman property developed as a park, including uncovering the stream that runs beneath it.

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St. Peter students receive scholarships

St. Peter School, Antioch, IL, is proud to announce three scholarship recipients for the academic 2005-2006 school year at Carmel High School. Under the direction of Mrs. Dani Brandt, the sixth grade teacher and mathematics coach, the eighth grade team, Juline Lamusga, Kyle Mumenthaler, Alexa Orticelli, Kevin Stone and Molly Thompson took first place in their division.

There were more than 300 students who took this exam in Lake County and a total of 12 scholarships were awarded to a class of 394 students. The scholarship recipients are Kevin Stone, Alexa Orticelli and Max O'Connell.

In the individual events Kevin Stone won first place and Alexa Orticelli won second place. The seventh grade students who competed in these competitions are: Dan

Carlsen, Will Gomes, Nick Marsalek, Nicole Quist and Solange Simpson.

The school test results are also posted online at www.educontest.com.

"We are extremely proud of our graduating class of 2005 and our upper grade students that have received much recognition throughout the school year," said Mrs. Christine Mors, Principal, St. Peter School. In addition "We are very fortunate at St. Peter School to have the faculty dedicated to working with and preparing all of our students to be successful each day," she said.

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MICROSOFT MAKES GENEROUS GRANT*Photo by Sandy Bressner*

Microsoft Midwest District Relationship Marketing and Community Affairs Manager Shelley Stern, center, presents a plaque to Allendale President Mary Shahbazian, second from right, with U.S. Rep. Melissa Bean (D-Barrington), Lake County Board Chairperson Suzi Schmidt and State Rep. JoAnn Osmond (R-Antioch) to commemorate the \$400,000 worth of Microsoft software donated by Microsoft to Allendale, located in Lake Villa.

Antioch Community High School student arrested for child pornography

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

After a long investigation beginning with an incident on Nov. 18, Derek J. Schneider of 12 Cremen Drive, Lake Villa was arrested on charges of child pornography.

Lake Villa Police, working with the Antioch Police Department, obtained a search warrant and seized files from Schneider's computer at his home.

After more investigating, the State's Attorney's office approved charges of child pornography. Officers went to Antioch Community High School to arrest Schneider on March 17.

In bond court Judge Victoria Martin set bond at \$60,000. Schneider posted \$6,000 bond and was released from the Lake County jail on March 18. A court date is pending.

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*A Directory Of
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Graceland Baptist Church, 258 Ida St., Antioch, IL. Sunday School 11am, Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening 7pm. Robert Williams, Pastor.

First Church of Christ, Scientist & Reading Rm. Rte 173 and Harden, Antioch. Phone (847) 395-1196. Sunday School, Sunday Church Service 10:30am, Wednesday, 7:30pm.

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, worshiping at Antioch/Lake Villa Township Center, 1625 Deep Lake Rd. Pastor Darald Gruen, Phone (847) 265-2450. Sunday Worship at 9am, Sunday School, High School & Adult Bible Classes 10:45am.

Heritage Lutheran Church, Lindenhurst Civic Center, 1949 Old Elm Rd., Lindenhurst. (847) 356-1766. Sunday service 10:00 am, Sunday School & Bible Class 9:00 am. (summer schedule - 9:00 am Sunday) Rev. Mark W. Anderson, Pastor.

St. Ignatius Episcopal, 500 Depot St. Antioch Phone (847) 395-0652. Low Mass 7:30am, High Mass 9:30am Sunday School & Nursery 9:30am. Rev. Vincent Eckholm, Pastor.

Crossview Church
(formerly Antioch Evangelical Free Church)
750 Highview Drive, Antioch, IL 807-395-4117 Sunday Worship Services 9:00am and 10:30am Sunday School for all ages (nursery provided) Call for more information.

St. Stephen Lutheran Church (ELCA). 1155 Hillside Ave. Phone (847) 395-3359. Sunday Worship, 8:00, 9:30, 10:45am. Rev. Roger Black, Pastor. Saturday Worship Service 5:00pm.

Christian Life Fellowship Assemblies of God Church. 41625 Deep Lake Rd., Antioch. Phone (847) 395-8572. Sunday School (all ages) 9am., Sunday Morning Worship 10am., Children's Church 10am., Sunday Evening Worship 6:30pm., Wednesday Worship & Children's Program 7am., Tues. Women's Fellowship & Bible Study 9-11:30am. Jeff Brussaly, Pastor.

Antioch Baptist Church, 817 Holbeck Dr., Antioch. Phone (847) 769-5332. Sunday Morning Worship 10:15am., Sunday evening Service 6:00pm., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm. Pastor Ken Foster.



Faith Evangelical Lutheran. 1275 Main St., Phone (847) 395-1660. Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30am., Sunday School 9:25am., Mon. Worship 7:00pm Pastors Gregory Hermanson & Aaron Christie. Christian Day School (847) 395-1664.

Millburn Congregational United Church of Christ. 19073 W. Grass Lake Rd. at Rte. 45. Phone (847) 356-5237. Sunday Services 8:30am. Eucharist at 10am. Family Worship with Church School and Nursery Care. Rev. Jed Watson, Pastor.

Antioch United Methodist Church. 848 Main St., Antioch, Phone (847) 395-1259. Rev. Gary Curt, Pastor. Sunday Worship 8 am. and 10:30 a.m. Children's church and Sunday School. Adult Groups at 9:15 a.m. Nursery care for children through 3 years of age from 8 to 11:30 a.m.

St. Peter's Church. 557 W. Lake St., Antioch. Phone (847) 395-0274. Masses weekdays, 7:30am; Sunday 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11:30am & Saturday 5:30pm. Rev. Father Ronald H. Anglim, Pastor.

Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church. 43 W. Grass Lake Rd., Phone (847) 838-0103. Sunday Worship 9:30 and 11:00. Sunday School. Rev. Kerry Bauman, Senior Pastor

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod). 25100 W. Grand Ave. (Rte. 59 & 132), Lake Villa. (847) 356-5158. Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45am; Sunday School (3 and up) and Bible Study 9:30am. Rev. John Zellmer, Pastor.

Lighthouse Church of Antioch. 554 Parkway Ave., Antioch, IL (847) 838-0616. Saturday Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Adventure Club for Kids, Adult Bible Study Saturday Evening 6:00 p.m. Monday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Thursday Evening PTSO Support Group 7:00 p.m. Senior Pastor Tom Bartner.

NorthBridge Church. A Contemporary Worship Experience. Meeting at Antioch Community High School, 1133 Main St., Antioch, (847) 838-9370, www.northbridgechurch.org. Service Sunday - 10:30am, Children's Classes (K-5) - 10:30 am. Mark Albrecht, Senior Pastor.

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Antioch Now supports Mayor Tso Maravelas for re-election

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

Antioch NOW candidates, in addition to Mayor Taso Maravelas, include current Trustee Bob Caulfield, Dennis Crosby and Jim Parks.

Caulfield is the head of the financial committee and is proud of the strides it has made in the last four years. They have hired a new village finance officer who is installing new software that will help the village be more capable of managing the finances.

Caulfield is a professional photographer and lives in Antioch with his wife Janet and their four children.

Redevelopment of the downtown and financial accountability are high on his list of priorities for the next term.

Dennis Crosby is a vice president of American Airlines and lives with his family in

Antioch and appreciates a hometown with parades. Civic events and friendly faces, he said.

He thinks past inadequacies led to inconsistent planning, organizing and spending need to be changed, and while trustees must be individuals, they should also be able to work as a team.

Jim Parks and his family have lived in Antioch for 10 years. His business experience is in sales, management and operations. He recently invested in Antioch when he bought the remaining lots in Mystic Cove subdivision and plans to finish the project. He has managed businesses from the start-up phase through to success.

As a trustee, Parks said people will be able to trust him to do what's right.

*ginnys@lakelandmedia.com***Conservation Organizations Birdscaping Speaker**

If something is "for the birds" and that sounds good, attending Janice Aull's program, "Birdscaping Your Yard," might be just the talk for you. Aull will describe ways that the ordinary gardener can tempt various birds, and butterflies as well, into the yard with targeted plantings. Always popular presence in the garden, these creatures add beauty and interest as well as adding to the diversity of a neighborhood.

"Those who attend will learn tips, techniques, and resources for planting native plants that have the added benefit of attracting butterflies as well. This program is just in time for the spring planting season," Aull said.

Handouts will be available. In addition, Aull will provide information about the Lake County Forest Preserve sale of native plants that traditionally takes place Mothers' Day weekend.

Her lively manner will enhance her power point presentation, showing plants from her own yard, which she calls "Nature's Haven."

The special presentation is offered through the Lake County Audubon Society and Lake-to-Prairie Wild Ones.

The program will be presented in the Libertyville Village Hall, located at 118 W. Cook Ave., on Monday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. The program is free, and all are welcome.

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said.

The minutes indicate the meeting was about a plan for the empty Pitman property in downtown Antioch near the village hall, and five other downtown areas.

A newly formed limited liability company called The Antioch Development Group LLC made the proposal. Their representatives included Bob LaHaie, John A. Clark, Norman Nagel, Michael Brody, Bob Ahlberg, Malcolm S. Kamin, Mike Culat, Jim Dvorak, Jim Parks, Kyle G. Bengkert.

Mayor Taso Maravelas, Administrator Probst, Village Attorney Robert Long, village planners and the village clerk were also in attendance.

Parks said Kamin, the attorney representing the LLC, would develop a letter of intent, which would indicate the village was serious about proceeding. One property owner interested in selling his land came to the meeting. Porch asked if it was too early to talk to property owners, but Attorney Long said it wasn't. He told Porch the public needed to be convinced first that redevelopment needs to occur, and then the land needs to be acquired, either by condemnation or working with the property owners.

Nagel said he had created a large network and could get as much money as necessary to develop the property. However, he said people would only invest money if there was a return on their investments, and the deal needed the village to create a TIF district to accomplish that.

The redevelopment plan called for 80 percent residential and 20 percent retail to be built downtown, including six-story condominiums. As chairman of the redevelopment

commitment Porch said she was surprised this was the first she'd heard of the meeting.

The study that is underway suggested there be entertainment included in downtown.

Some trustees wanted to move forward with the Route 83 study before making any decisions. They had questions and were not willing to move ahead so quickly. Pierce said they needed to do the study and check the legalities. Porch said the plan needed to be open to other developers.

The meeting ended with no action being taken.

Trustees said when they wanted to release the minutes, Long had told them they were under investigation by the State's Attorneys office for that meeting as being illegal and they should not release minutes at this time.

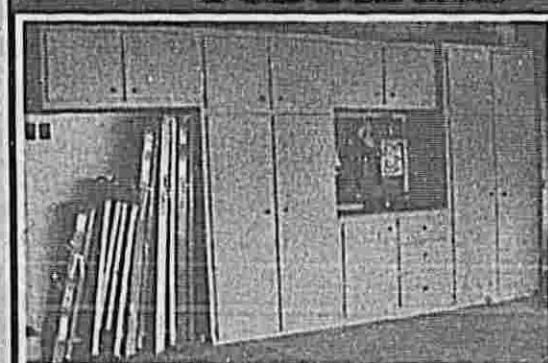
"I don't know if he was telling the truth," Turner said.

Porch said the minutes needed to be released to the public and they had a right to know.

"The meeting smelled like old fish," Turner said. "Long was there and I expected good legal protection. It didn't feel right."

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Driving without a valid driver's license

Adrienne L. Slaughter, 37, of 9117 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago, was stopped for speeding at on Route 173 and Eagles Ridge at 8:40 p.m. March 24. She was driving 72 mph in a 55-mph zone, police said. When checked, police found that her driver's license was suspended.

LINDENHURST

Driving without a valid driver's license

Edward A. Pilar, 27, also known as David I. Burdick, 24, of 23505 Beach Grove Road, Antioch, was stopped at 1 a.m. March 15, for improper lighting. Police learned he was driv-

ing while his license was suspended, no valid insurance, failure to dim his lights and obstruction.

He was released on a \$200 bond and is scheduled to appear in court on April 6.

Ricardo M. Garcia, 42, of 230 Valley Drive, was stopped at Grand Avenue and Hillcrest. He was charged with driving while license suspended. He was released on a recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on April 6.

Charles P. Coe, 34, of 1826 Prairie Ridge Circle, was stopped while he was driving and his driver's license had been suspended for emissions. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is scheduled to appear in court on May 4.

Jerry Vancrey, 40, of 1 Lakeside Lane, Fox Lake was charged with speeding, driving while his license was revoked and possession of drug paraphernalia.

His passenger Cheryl Whittington, 36, of the same address was charged with possession of

drug paraphernalia.

They were released on an I-Bond and are scheduled to appear in court May 4.

Jesus M. Garcia, 32, of 1309 Grederick St., Racine, Wis. was charged with driving while license was suspended and spilling his load onto the roadway. He was driving a dump truck with a wood chipper and the dump bed was full. Material hit the squad car window, police said.

Nicole A. Richardson, 23, of 607 Beton Road, Lake Villa, was stopped at 2:15 a.m. March 25 and charged with driving while his license is suspended and driving an uninsured vehicle. He was released on \$2,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear in court May 4.

Maurice Reed, 33, of 516 Northgate was stopped at 8:19 a.m. March 26, for driving while his license was suspended for emissions and suspended registration. He was released on an I-bond and is scheduled to appear in court May 4.

DUI ARRESTS

The following people have been arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs

Francisco P. Ricndiaz, 30, of 914 Main St., was stopped while she was driving northbound on Route 83 near Second Street. He had crossing the centerline, police said.

He was ticketed for DUI, DUI over .08, no valid driver's license, uninsured motor vehicle, improper lane usage and an improper turn. He was released on a cash bond and is scheduled to appear in court.

Shirlon Y. Rogers, 38, of 486 Meadow Green, Round Lake, was stopped for driving 72 mph in a 55 mph-zone at 1:49 a.m. March 25. Rogers failed a field sobriety test and was charged with DUI, speeding and violating a traffic control device. Rogers was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on May 5.

Observant driver and quick cop foil juvenile theft from Senior Center

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

An observant citizen and an officer who does a thorough job foiled the theft of a public address system by three juveniles.

At 11:25 on March 25, police received a call from a concerned citizen who saw some juveniles who looked suspicious. Officer Dawn Geraty was dispatched to the site near the Senior Center. Although she didn't see any suspicious activity, Geraty got out of her squad car and looked around on foot.

She found one juvenile who was trying to hide an amplifier under his shirt. She found two other juveniles who were also attempting to hide equipment. The boys had been trying

to put the equipment in the bushes in order to retrieve it later. It had been taken from the Senior Center without permission and was returned.

All three were referred to the Depke Center on theft charges. They had prior histories with the police department.

Commander Craig Somerville commended both the observant citizen and Geraty's quick response and thorough investigation.

"We commend a citizen who came forward with observations and suspicions while he was driving by. That's the kind of thing we need when something looks suspicious, and we will act on it," Somerville said.

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Monica Supple, 9, from Antioch, bags a box of cookies for a customer, while selling Girl Scout cookies with Antioch Brownie troop 2489, at Wal-Mart in Antioch.



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Blake hoping to keep Waterway agency moving ahead

By Steve Peterson
Staff Reporter

Wayne Blake remembers the time well in the history of the FoxWaterway Agency (FWA).

He had just been elected a Lake County commissioner to the FWA, and Dr. William Dam was elected chairman. It was 13 years ago, and much work needed to be done to restore the state of Illinois' confidence in the agency.

Blake feels that has been accomplished and much more. "Now we are very respected agency with the state. Our legislators do a good job working on our behalf, but you have to keep who we are and what we do in front of the legislators from other areas," Blake said.

A long-time Antioch resident, Blake is running for a new four-year term on the FWA board with Charles Haling. William Enriquez

of Ingleside is the challenger in the three-way race for two Lake County seats. Howard "Bud" Scott of Lake Villa Township is running unopposed for chairman, as are Bill Brockman of Cary and Phil Bartmann of Johnsburg for McHenry county seats.

"My business, Blake and Sons, revolves around the Chain O' Lakes, as we install pumps used in infiltration and water wells," he said. Dredging of Grass Lake to remove the silt is a priority soon, he said. "We have to do that to save the entire system. We're getting 50,000 cubic yards of silt a year. The silt is coming to us from Wisconsin."

Keeping a needed amount of state funding is another priority for the FWA, Blake said. The FWA is a state agency that works with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to promote tourism and recreation on the Chain O' Lakes. Its headquarters is in Fox Lake, but board members are elected from both Lake

and McHenry counties.

"Everything takes funds. It is important to get a drying site at Illinois State parks," he said.

He would like to see if the FWA could avoid a sticker fee increase, one of its two main sources of funds. "Like every other business, the gas, electric, fuel and insurance all keep going up. We need some grants from the state and federal government. The trimming can only go so far," he said. "A single pass to Six Flags, is what, \$85, and a sticker fee for the Chain O' Lakes is \$60," he said.

He said it is important to keep modifying and improving the geotube project, which has brought back species that had not been at the Chain for many years. "The ice, boats, snowmobiles, duckblinds and others have hit it, but it is a project that the whole world is watching," Blake said.

Blake is the senior member of the FWA Board. He criticized the stated reason why Enriquez is running, for personal reasons, as his ex-wife is FWA Executive Director Ingrid Enriquez.

"We're running as independents, but I support Haling for the FWA, as Haling Marina has been around the Chain forever. But I ques-

"I question Enriquez's running. You should run because you care about the agency."

Wayne Blake
Senior member of the FWA

tion Enriquez's running. It is an embarrassment, a slap-in-the-face to the agency. You should run because you care about the agency," Blake said.

Blake, 46, is a graduate of Antioch Community High School, is on the Loon Lake Sports Management Association and active in the Ducks Unlimited organization. He ran for Lake County Board. He and his wife Ellen have three children. His uncle is former Lake County Board Chairman Norm Geary, and there were always political discussions around the house, Blake said.

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EGGS-A-PLENTY

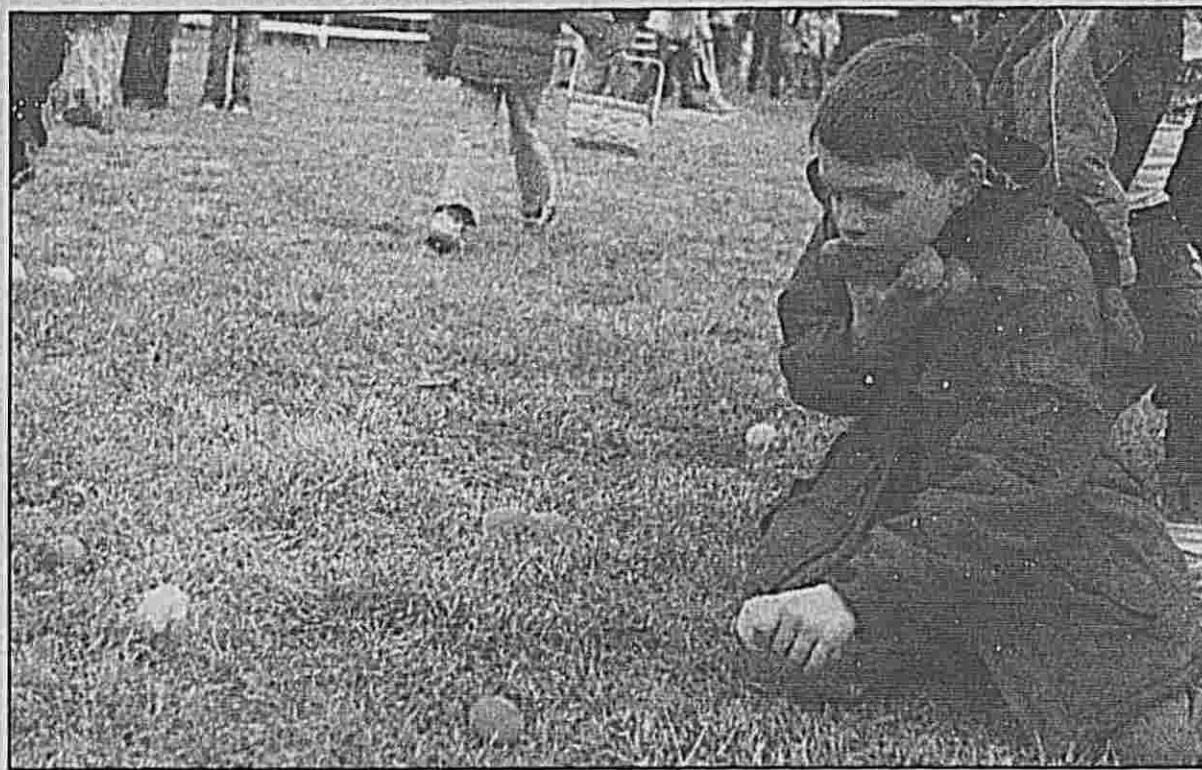


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Michael Peters 8, tries to hold as many plastic eggs as possible without using a bag during the village of Antioch's annual Easter Egg Hunt in Williams Park. Approximately 400 children ages 1-10 hunted for 4,000 candy and treat-filled eggs.

ANO

Chamber of Commerce, serving his second term as director.

Ano said he thinks the supervisor's position should include that of being a town crier.

"There is nothing the township can do now about Little Silver Lake or Menards, but the Supervisor should have been proactive by informing the township ahead of time.

Ano has been a member of the Antioch Rotary Club since 1981 and has served as president, a member of the scholarship committee and chairman of the Rotary's food basket program for 10 years.

He is proud of the fact that his father founded the Rotary Club in Antioch. He was in high school at that time, and the Rotary Club also founded the Interact Club in Antioch

Community High School, which Ano joined during its first year. The high school group fizzled out, but Ano wants to revitalize it in order for kids to experience being an active part in their community.

Ano has also given his time as a coach for many years. He has coached basketball, Antioch Youth Baseball, Youth Iceless Hockey, Antioch Junior Sequoits Boy/Girls Basketball program. He has been active in Prince of Peace Church and St. Peter School for 25 years.

He is the owner of Colette and Ano Plumbing, Inc. and has been in business in Antioch for 26 years.

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With debts paid, former prisoners find society closed off

By Kyle Schmitt
Staff Reporter

Though now free from penal incarceration, Joseph Elliott remains a prisoner to his past mistakes.

Raised in Waukegan, he has been sent to correctional facilities six times, and is now trying to "clean my act up right here." While Elliott has paid his debts to society, he struggles to break free from poverty and depression, and fights a daily battle against the conditions that first led him to pursue crime.

Elliott and several other expatriates (residents who were formerly incarcerated) shared their stories with legislators at "Re-Entry: The Beginning to the End of Recidivism," in Waukegan March 24. Former offenders and agency representatives presented at the meeting, hosted by State Rep. Eddie Washington (D-Waukegan) in city hall council chambers, testifying to the dangers and causes that lead to reoccurring criminal behavior amongst community members.

"In this society, you're never done paying for anything," Washington said. Although people who commit crimes should be penalized, "the bad choices some of us made early in life, that is not a summation of who we are and what we're going to become."

Residents said that their past legal problems prevent them from finding jobs that pay livable wages, making them unable to contribute to society and often causing them to revert back to their former ways. In addition to defining the problem, various speakers introduced ideas and programs that would help those leaving prison live productive, law-abiding lives.

Todd Davis of Waukegan has been told that his computer and construction skills qualify him for various jobs, but his past criminal record prevents him from finding work.

"Back in the day, they talked about, 'you're going to have an 'X' on your back,'" he said of past warnings he'd received. "Well, they meant literally, because I can't get anything."

Despite applying at businesses ranging from Lake Forest Hospital to fast food joints, Davis cannot land a decent job anywhere in the area. "I went, but when I show them my resume, that's it, for the past three years."

Felonies committed during his youth have derailed the dreams of 20-year-old Waukegan resident Aaron Pierce. Though only 15 when he committed the last of those crimes, Pierce said that his legal problems have prevented him from joining the military and fighting for his country, even though he would be forced to go if a draft is held.

He believes that many residents feel trapped in their environment even when released, and that while in juvenile correctional facilities he failed to receive the tools needed to change his life.

"We're supposed to be rehabilitated, but there's no love," he said, earning applause for his candid speech.

Speaking shortly after, Lake County Sheriff Gary Del Re told Pierce that he hoped the young man didn't view all law enforcement officials in the same light. "We love you, and we wish you well."

Nearly 20 percent of prisoners have mental health problems, Del Re said, and must receive help before they can effectively re-integrate into society. He said that the county helped 125 inmates earn their GED last year, and 37 people have already been awarded this year.

Rehabilitation for sex offenders represents a top concern for law enforcement, Del Re said, as

Lake County ranks second in the state in the number of such offenders. Locating suitable programs for these repatriates is difficult, as this rehabilitation remains "perhaps the most challenging" for authorities to successfully complete.

Perhaps the most poignant presentation came from Elliott, who held back tears in relating his personal experiences since deciding to live his life right several months ago.

Having turned 39 earlier this week and still unable to find work due to his record, Elliott said that he couldn't buy his daughter a present for her upcoming birthday. He expressed anger that his mother must slip him \$20 just so he could take the girl out for fun on holidays. "I'm a black man, I'm supposed to provide for my family," he said. "That stuff hurts me."

Some days, the frustration is so great that Elliott can hardly get out of bed, and falls to his knees in pleading prayer.

"I try so hard to stay focused because I know how to get out of here and go get some easy money right now," he said. "I don't want to do that, but I hurt so bad right now."

"I'm so close to going back out there to do what I did before."

Occasionally, Elliott volunteers for Washington, who vouched for his character.

"He's worth the best investment," Washington said. "He's a success story if we give him the tools to do that."

Legislators must re-examine the finances allocated to the state Department of Corrections (D.O.C.), and shift misused money to programs that work, Washington said.

"We need to quit letting the modern-day (slave) plantation be the D.O.C." he said. "You haven't changed the thinking, so you can't change the behavior."

Mandatory sentencing must be revisited, Washington said, as the policy robs judges of human discretion. He also believes that ministry programs offer significant opportunities for offenders to transform themselves and lead positive lifestyles.

Family relationships can be complicated by a HUD regulation that prevents past offenders from living in public housing, and expatriates often can't gain the full-time employment to support their loved ones.

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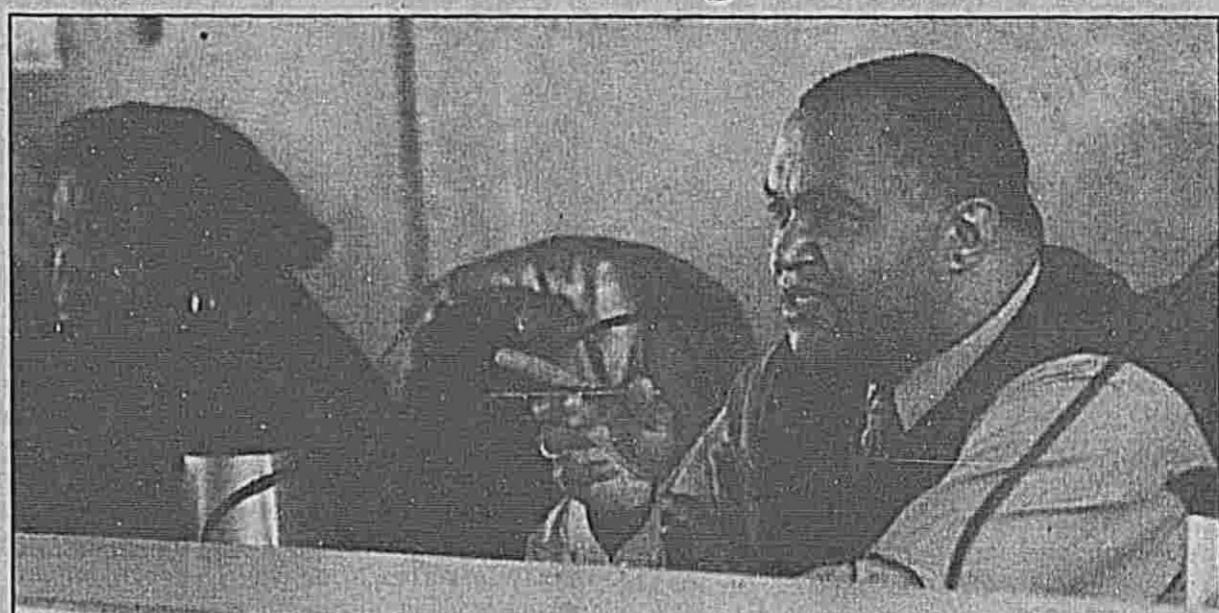


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State Representative Eddie Washington (D-Waukegan) offers suggestions to assist in a successful reintegration of people released from prison into society. Washington was a co-host for "Re-Entry: The Beginning to the end of Recidivism," a meeting at which residents discussed the pattern of parolees becoming repeat offenders.

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Corporation****Money will streamline
administrative process****By Kathy Gresey***Staff Reporter*

U.S. Congresswoman Melissa Bean joined officials from Microsoft Corporation in presenting the Lake Villa non-profit organization Allendale Association with a grant totaling more than \$400,000 in software.

The grant which will be used to improve the organization's administrative processes.

Bean and other elected officials were also given a tour of Allendale's center for children and adolescents with emotional and behavioral disabilities.

The tour highlighted the importance of technology and corporate partnerships in helping nonprofits better serve the community.

"I had a chance to meet some of the kids that (this grant) will be benefiting," said Bean. "It is exciting to see the investment that Microsoft is putting toward their futures."

As a result of the Microsoft donation, Allendale will receive, among other items, a Microsoft Windows 2003 server, a Microsoft Exchange 2003 server, Office 2003 Professional and FrontPage 2003. These software items will streamline Allendale's administrative departments.

The software provides higher security, built-in spam filtering and the ability to fax documents over the Internet.

"This is huge for us," said Allendale Association Vice President of Development and Public Relations Jordan Luhr. "It will make us more efficient so we have more time to serve the kids."

This was the third time that Allendale has received a grant from Microsoft.

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Saturday, April 2

7-10 p.m., "Swing into Spring" with the Lakes Area Community Swing Band fund-raising dance at the Antioch VFW hall post #4451, 75 North Ave. \$7. Call Holly at 847-265-6595 for more information.

Sunday, April 3

7-9 p.m., Open gym Sundays at Antioch Community High School. \$2. Adults only.

7:30 p.m., Lake County Singles meet Sundays at Dover Straits on Rt. 45 in Mundelein. \$7 fee includes buffet, speed dating & music. Call hotline 847-604-1840 or visit www.lakecountysingles.net for information.

Monday, April 4

7 p.m., Sub-committee meetings of the Antioch Village Board. Committee meetings of whole follow at 8 p.m. in Board Room, Village Hall, 874 Main St.

12:45 p.m., Bingo held Mondays at The Antioch Senior Center. Call 847-395-7120 for details.

Tuesday, April 5

7:30 p.m., Lake County Longbeards Drawing for Spring Raffle, at Greenleaf Bar & Grill, Park City. Go to www.illinoisnwtf.org/Chapters/lakeco.htm.

7 p.m., Antioch Network of Friends, a multiple sclerosis support group, meets at Antioch Community Building, 884 Main St. Call Louise at 847-395-1317 or Rachel at 847-973-1808 for more details.

Wednesday, April 6

11 a.m., Reservation deadline for Annual Lunch and Mass, Apr. 16, Council of Catholic Nurses of Lake County, held at Our Lady of Humility Parish Center, Zion. RSVP to Marion at 847-548-1309.

Thursday, April 7

7 p.m., "Color and Sculpture in the Garden," by Don Guzan, a Landscape Advisor and Answerman, at Antioch Public Library District, 757 N. Main St. Don will go over various color schemes and harmonies which can be used in the garden. Additionally, he will discuss various types of materials and how they can be used as sculpture in a garden setting. Bring your questions. Reservations are recommended. Please call 847-395-0874.

6-7:30 p.m., Introduction to Internet class, at the Community Library, 24615 89th St., Salem, Wisc. Limit of 8 people per session. Please call 262-843-3348 to register.

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9:30-11:30 a.m., "Understanding a Reverse Mortgage," Lake County Council for Seniors meets first Thursdays at State Bank of the Lakes, 50 Commerce Dr., Grayslake. All are welcome. Please call 847-367-0087 to learn more.

Alcohol Screening Day, free and anonymous, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 5-7 p.m. at the College of Lake County's health center, Room C003, Grayslake. Open to community. Please call the health center at 847-543-2064 to learn more.

11 a.m., LV Twp. AARP Chapter #3978 board meets first Thursdays at Twp. Offices Community Room.

Friday, April 8

"Morning at Seven," Apr. 8-17, presented by PM&L Theatre at 877 N. Main St. For times and tickets call 847-395-3055 or go to www.pmltheatre.com.

Saturday, April 9

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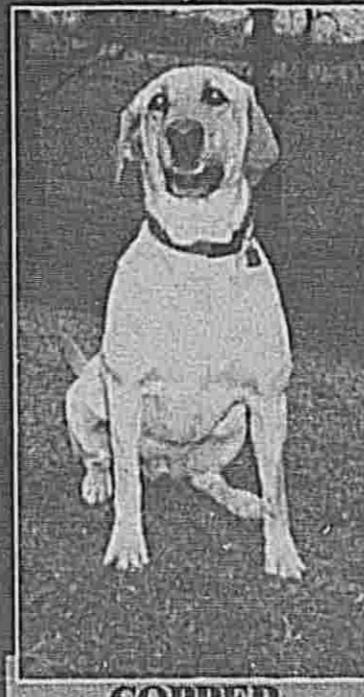
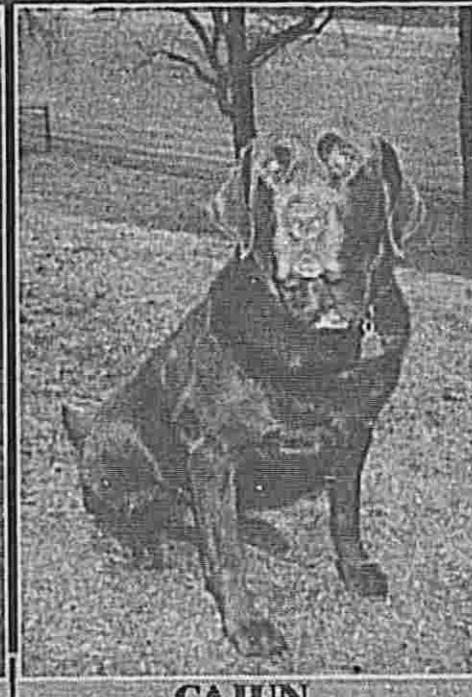
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**Mayor
Taso Maravelas**

Mayor Taso Maravelas came to Antioch in the early 1970's to open a downtown restaurant. He and his wife Olga raised their son and daughter in Antioch, both graduating from ACHS. His entire family works in the family business, Maravelas' Banquets in Fox Lake. Taso's interest in public service to the Village of Antioch began in the early 1990's. Elected trustee in 1995, he served as license committee chair and was active on the finance committee. Fueled by these challenges, and wanting to apply his business acumen, he ran successfully for mayor in 2001.

"The village was being run very casually, with few procedures and poor accountability, it needed to be run more like a business," says Maravelas. He has focused on village finances, "It's the people's money, and they want absolute accountability."

Taso speaks often of Antioch's future. "We can improve downtown. We need more recreational opportunities. We can keep taxes low and provide excellent city services." He is a tireless promoter of Antioch, talking of the town's beautiful geography and friendly people to all who will listen.

Taso looks forward to Antioch's challenges and opportunities.



**Trustee
Bob Caulfield**

Trustee Bob Caulfield lives in Antioch with his wife Janet and their four children. Bob is a professional photographer, and owns a successful portrait business in Antioch.

Trustee Caulfield is chairman of the finance committee. "We've done so much in four years, but there's so much more to do," says Caulfield. "We inherited a disorganized village budget deep in the red, and now we are operating in the black with auditable books. It's the people's money, there is no room for error."

Bob is gratified by how many residents say they notice a remarkable improvement. He believes village employees should have the best equipment for the job. "I am proud of this transformation," says Caulfield.

For the next term, Bob places downtown redevelopment and financial accountability a high priority. He plans to use his business and financial expertise to reach that goal. "We've made good progress; we need to finish the job."

Bob runs on his record and vision. "If you love Antioch now, you'll love it even more in the future!"

Dennis Crosby



Bob Caulfield

Jim Parks



**Dennis Crosby
For Trustee**

**Mayor
Taso Maravelas**
Trustees
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Jim Parks

Dennis Crosby and his family could have lived anywhere in America, and they chose Antioch. Dennis worked his way up from airline ticket agent to vice president of American Airlines. He has 36 years of business experience and is currently running a profitable business providing freight services to over 2,000 US and international customers.

Dennis is eager to apply his background to serve the citizens of Antioch as trustee. "Our Village is at a crossroads with challenges requiring business competence at the board level. Village trustees should be independent, but able to work as a team. We must correct past inadequacies that led to inconsistent planning, organizing, and spending." He sees Antioch as increasingly attractive for residential and commercial growth. "Working together, residents and the Board can and must make Antioch 'business friendly' while not compromising Antioch's charm and heritage."

Dennis, his wife Patti and 11 year-old daughter enjoy their new home town. "We spent a lot of years moving around, but now we have a home town with parades, civic events, and friendly faces."

Dennis is excited about working with the Mayor, Bob Caulfield, and Jim Parks. "This is a great team for the future."



**Jim Parks
For Trustee**

Jim Parks and his family moved to Antioch in 1995. He has over 30 years experience in sales, management, and operations. He has extensive experience directing the growth of small and large business units with American Hospital Supply /Baxter Healthcare / Allegiance Healthcare as well as start-up businesses.

Jim made a big investment in Antioch when he bought the remaining lots in the Mystic Cove subdivision. He intends to build the remaining lots in the distinct style of Mystic Cove where he lives. "We live on Lake Antioch and see downtown Antioch in the distance, it's the view of a lifetime," he smiles.

Jim will apply his business skills to being village trustee. "You're called a 'trustee' for a reason – people should trust you to do what's right". Being in a position of trust is not new to him, he is on the Mystic Cove homeowner's board and the 'Friends of Lake Antioch' board.

Jim and his wife Marita have three married children and three grandchildren. His daughter was married in Mystic Cove. "We love it, its home," beams Jim.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Proactive not reactive

As an Antioch village trustee who voted "NO" to Wal-Mart, I've been asked by residents to explain why I have changed my position and voted "YES" to Menards. I appreciate the concern of our residents and would like to explain my position.

When the GLP Phase I, plan was before the Village Board, I was in the minority in voting NO on allowing Wal-Mart to be built. Some of my concerns included that we were drastically changing our Comprehensive Plan to allow this; I was concerned about the impact it would have on our current downtown business base which is a valuable commodity to Antioch.

I also questioned the lack of sewer and water to the site, traffic, safety, impacts on the quality of life for our residents, and the numerous "bad press" items that were brought to the attention of the village board by concerned residents. But as I mentioned earlier, I was in the minority and the village board, along with the mayor, voted to allow GLP Phase I to be built. Although I voted against this, I respect the Village Board's majority decision, and in doing so I moved on with an open mind to future items on the Board's agenda.

The village has learned a lot from the development of Wal-Mart and I have used that knowledge to ensure a betterment for Antioch both environmentally and economically. In the ordinance that I approved for GLP Phase II, Menards, we have placed in effect new, strict guidelines environmentally that are not yet found in the State of Illinois. Antioch has been proactive in placing these guidelines and Lake County board members have congratulated us in setting these restrictions. The developer, GLP, has agreed to these restrictions, which also include other parameters to maintain the pristine condition of our lakes and wetland areas.

Please be aware that the Menards preliminary plan approval has restrictions that safeguards our community to the point that absolutely no construction will take place until the village has written documentation from utilities, county agencies, and other entities that Phase I has been completed to the satisfaction of the village before they allow any activity/earth moving on Phase II, Menards. What about my allowing Menards preliminary approval before there is water/sewer capacity to the Wal-Mart site? The water and sewer will be fully in place before Menards is granted final approval to begin development.

Deep Lake Road improvements at the Wal-Mart location are waiting for permission from Lake County

to proceed as weather permits. Construction of Menards will not take place until those road improvements are done to the satisfaction of both the Village and Lake County. Why Menards instead of Lowe's? It's simple, Menards has submitted a plan to the Village, Lowe's has not.

We have a developer, GLP, that has taught Antioch many lessons, both good and bad. It has been a learning experience for Antioch and as future growth comes to us, we will continue to learn. Now we have GLP agreeing to far more environmental protections than is required by Lake County or the State of Illinois, they have learned lessons from Antioch also and are trying to be a good neighbor to our community.

Barbara Porch
Antioch Village Trustee

Grass Lake District 36 Needs Your Support

The graduating class of 2004 at Grass Lake School District 36 was comprised of 34 students



who now attend Antioch Community High School. 41 percent of the students in that class were on the Honor Roll last semester. 29 percent of those students made the High Honor Roll (as compared with 23 percent of the total freshman class—83 of 355). This is a school that has great potential—not a school that we should turn our backs on. With all the cuts that have been made, we are taking away opportunities for our kids to be the best that they can be. It is said, "It takes a village to raise a child." My hat goes off to the students, staff, and parents of GLS for their achievements. Despite obstacles in our path, we still have some of the most successful students. We can't let down the students of GLS again. As a community, we must vote YES for the referendum.

I understand that everyone is feeling taxed out, but after reading the facts that were sent to my home about GLS and its financial situation, I realize that voting YES for the referendum would actually keep our tax rate down. At present our rate is at least 30 percent less than the neighboring districts. The tax rate with the referendum would be 2.788. If GLS was to reorganize (consolidate or dissolve/annex), our tax rate could go up to at least 2.875 or as high as

3.012 depending upon which school GLS was to join with. GLS has not had a realized education fund increase since 1979. With a deficit of approximately \$500,000, we remain on the state's financial watch list. After the election, the state is due to come in to re-evaluate our progress. If the state decides to certify us and take over the finances of the district, there would probably be a mandatory tax increase to be determined by our legislators in Springfield (as was done in Round Lake) in addition to a \$250,000 charge for their services (not including payment of their salaries). The state would then run the school financially for a minimum of three years. This means that further cuts would be probable. I don't think anyone will deny the relationship between good schools and strong property values. I also don't think anyone will deny the relationship between providing a good education and its impact on building strong citizens for our future. Let's show our children that our community puts education first. Control our tax rate and support our students by voting YES April 5.

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Antioch

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"Martini has good ideas but, if elected, would keep her County Seat. We do not back politicians holding two elected posts. Doing so means drawing two public paychecks, creates possible conflicts of interest and goes against the notion that these elected jobs are part-time citizen positions." Daily Herald, 3.17.05

VOTE April 5th, 2005

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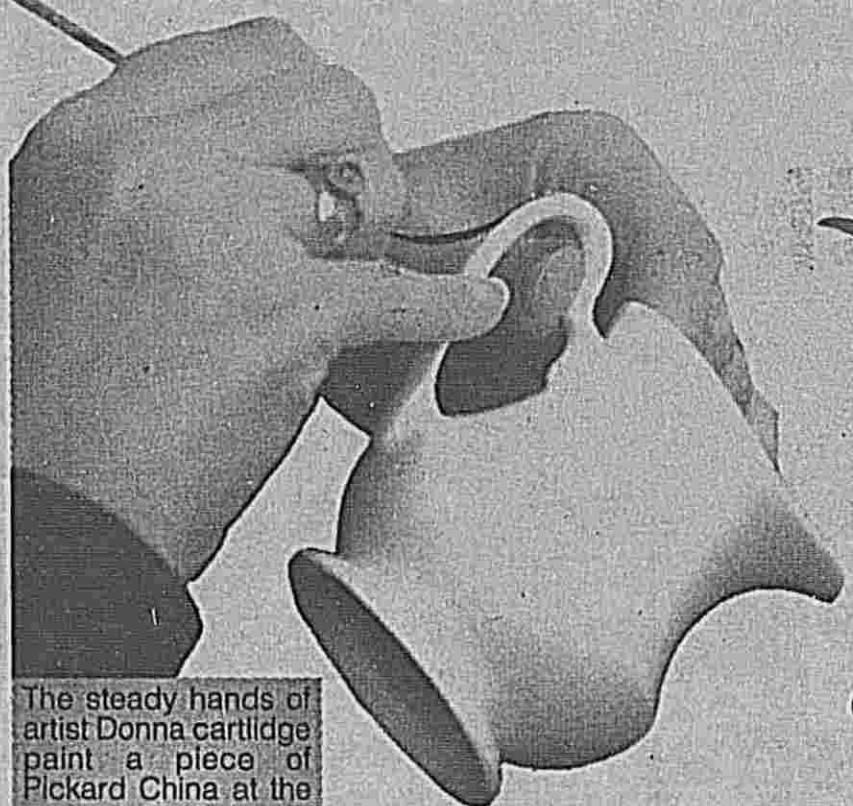
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The steady hands of artist Donna Cartlidge paint a piece of Pickard China at the company's headquarters in Antioch. Pickard China, a family-run business since 1893, uses 24-karat gold and pure platinum to embellish the fine dinnerware.

By Ginny Skweres
Staff Reporter

When people see Pickard china, some see upscale dinnerware while others see a work of art. No matter how you view it, the genesis of each new piece comes from Antioch, the only place in the world that the treasured china is made. The Antioch site is also home to its only museum and outlet store.

As one of the finest manufacturers of china, it is one of only two in the United States; and it is run by the fourth generation of the Pickard family.

The company was founded in Edgerton, Wis., in 1893 when Wilder Pickard met a woman potter and began selling her pottery. He realized he could create something much better, according to Rick Morgan, Wilder's great-grandson. He was right.

"Pickard china has been a family china company since 1893," Morgan said.

At the turn of the century, Wilder moved

"The banding on the china is all applied by hand with a brush. The gold is 24 K and the silver is actually pure platinum. Pickard china has the widest bands of precious metals among makers of fine china."

Rick Morgan
Wilder's great-grandson

allowed the plant to continue to operate during World War II, since it was allotted enough fuel to continue a viable operation.

the company to the Ravenswood area of Chicago and opened a decorating studio. He imported "blanks" from Europe and Japan. Blanks are undecorated plates and dinnerware.

Artists, creating unique pieces, painted the dishes by hand. They came from the Art Institute of Chicago and all over Europe. By that time, Wilder's son Austin took part in the family business and decided the company needed to develop its own body and glaze formula, Morgan said.

"It took seven years to develop the formula and we still use it," he said.

The timing turned out to be excellent, since getting blanks during World War II would have been impossible.

It was about that time the family moved the business from Chicago to Antioch. They bought the old Corona Pen factory, on Corona Street, with 5,000 square feet altogether. The company is at the same location on the same street, but its size has increased to 65,000 square feet, and the village of Antioch renamed the street Pickard Avenue in honor of the company's 100th anniversary in 1993.

Pickard bid on a government contract to make gravy boats for the Navy. These were not the typical fine china the company is known for, but a stocky durable item that allowed the plant to continue to operate during World War II, since it was allotted enough fuel to continue a viable operation.

Don't drop the dishes

Breaking a dish is frustrating, but it would be even more upsetting if it had been made by Pickard China

Photos by Sandy Bressner



Carol Brennan buffs teacups at the Pickard China manufacturing center and headquarters in Antioch. The company, which was started in 1893, has been located in Antioch for over 50 years.

What makes Pickard china special? Actually there are many things, but the first is all of their china is porcelain, as opposed to bone china. The type of clay that is used defines porcelain; and secondly, it is produced at a higher temperature when it is fired in the kiln at 1,600 degrees with a variance of only three degrees.

The temperature must be stable to create the perfect color with minerals, since organic colors would burn off. The company is particularly proud of its cobalt china where the mineral actually goes into the glaze and is not just

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Spring fun down on Lambs Farm

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

Roosters may not have heralded the dawn, but the barn doors opened back up for a new season at the Farmyard this past Easter weekend.

Several species of country critters welcomed their suburban human counterparts to the yard, located at Lambs Farm in Libertyville. Miniature ponies, llamas and other regulars will join a pack of newcomers, including a peacock Vietnamese pot-bellied pig named Corky, in offering visitors a glimpse of wildlife.

Their furry hosts provide a "touchy-feely" experience for visiting children, said Shelley Syoen, guest services manager for the Lambs Farm Farmyard.

"The kids become so out of touch with living, growing things," Syoen said. "I get so many kids who come up to pet a bunny, and the first they ask me is, 'Is it real?'"

A Discovery Center allows visitors to observe animals in a more intimate setting. Chicks, rabbits and other animals will be exhibited, while an animal anatomy and butterfly and horticultural displays offer new knowledge.

Watching or petting the animals seems to open everybody up, especially kids who are a little bit shy, Syoen said. "The minute they put their hands on a baby rabbit or chicken, they come to life."

Children learn to be gentle and nurturing to the animals, some of who are born with deformities, Syoen said.

Patrolling animals may draw most people



Six-week-old goats Bobalou and Bellesita are some of the newest attractions in the petting zoo at Lambs Farm. Part of spring at Lambs Farm is the new additions to the livestock including baby goats, sheep, ducks, and chickens.

adults help clean and feed the animals, assist

to their home turf, but the Farmyard boasts several other attractions. An old-world carousel and wagon rides offer perennial entertainment, and a train ride takes adult and child passengers past the end of the campus' lake. A newly remodeled 18-hole golf will also be available to visitors.

Though not yet planted, an outdoor garden will soon take in seedlings transplanted into its soil. Tomatoes, peppers, corn and other vegetables will be grown this year.

Founded in 1961, Lambs Farm also serves as an organization to assist and train developmentally disabled residents. A small pet shop in Chicago has expanded into a 72-acre campus, where more than 250 people currently gain vocational skills. These

with the running of rides and take tickets from visitors.

Direction of marketing and operations Kathy Gallagher said the non-profit organization provides residential housing for many workers, as well as jobs at the Country Inn, gift shop and country store. "They're getting an opportunity do what they're interested in, whether it's working or making friends," she said.

Many residents currently live on-campus, in areas such as the Intermediate Care Facility, a dormitory-style home for 40 adults who require a highly structured program of care and training. Here, they learn to develop skills in the areas of personal care, room care, safety and physical well-being.

Staff members provide training and support in areas of home maintenance, safety, impersonal relations and use of community resources.

Open seven days week, the Farmyard takes visitors from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. For more information, call 847-362-4636.

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Cindy Taylor, her son Kyle Taylor, 2, and her daughter Katy Taylor, 11, all from Round Lake, check out the turkeys in the bird hutch in the Lambs Farm petting zoo. Taking advantage of spring break and warm weather, the Taylor family took the opportunity to visit Lambs Farm during its first week of operation for 2005.— Photos by John Dickson

Sleep: The Impossible Dream

Who ever coined the phrase "power napping" should be put to sleep. Like the "power lunch," or "power dressing," nowadays it seems the only way we can justify meeting our basic needs is by pretending we do it just to increase the Gross National Product.

Even our own "Grandma Werner" feels she needs to use this term when referring to her afternoon siesta. Is it any wonder we hardworking Americans stagger under a major "sleep deficit," as well as mounting consumer and national debt?

So too, managing chronic sleep deprivation has itself become big business. Along with all the self-help books like "Speed Snoozing" or "Dozing for Dummies,"

are the contraptions designed to rock us to sleep. For example, Japan's Matsushita starts selling its \$30,000 sleep system this June. Their "sleep room" has a special massaging bed, wide screen TV with calming images, soothing music and lighting, and sound absorbent walls all programmed to gently lull the weary in and out of dreamland.

Perhaps the "sleep room" will become a common employee perk when companies finally realize napping can actually improve productivity. A 25-year study on the effects of napping in the workplace concluded that, "for 92.5 percent of workers, an afternoon nap increases their productivity, and their creativity and problem solving skill."

Moreover, business stands to benefit from the ideas generated during sleep. After all, discoveries as lofty as Einstein's Theory of Relativity, or as practical as Elias Howe's sewing machine, were the end result of dreams.

After learning this, I decided to read Sigmund Freud's "The Interpretation of Dreams" in hopes of generating column ideas while getting my forty winks. So far I don't think I'll win a Pulitzer, but I have recorded some intriguing dreams in my bedside journal. Here's an example:

I find myself competing in a hog-calling contest at the Lake County Fair. I'm "with child," so I have an irresistible yen to repeatedly call out for "Chop Suey." Still, I win the grand prize, and hitch a ride with the tractor pull winner over to Waukegan's spanking new casino. I play the slots until I'm again overwhelmed by a desire for Chinese takeout.

Suddenly, I'm swimming in Won Ton soup with a bunch of characters from a Lake Bluff Polar Bear Plunge. After doing the breaststroke with a burly, tattooed firefighter in a pink tutu, I invite him to my baby shower. I wake up with Egg Fu Fung on my face.

Unfortunately, Freud says I've got "different" ideas. Apparently, (except for having a baby) I'm only dreaming about sex. Maybe that's why Erma Bombeck said it takes courage to show your dreams to others. Nevertheless, you can rest assured that for the sake of the GNP I will always show you mine... that is, if you show me yours first.

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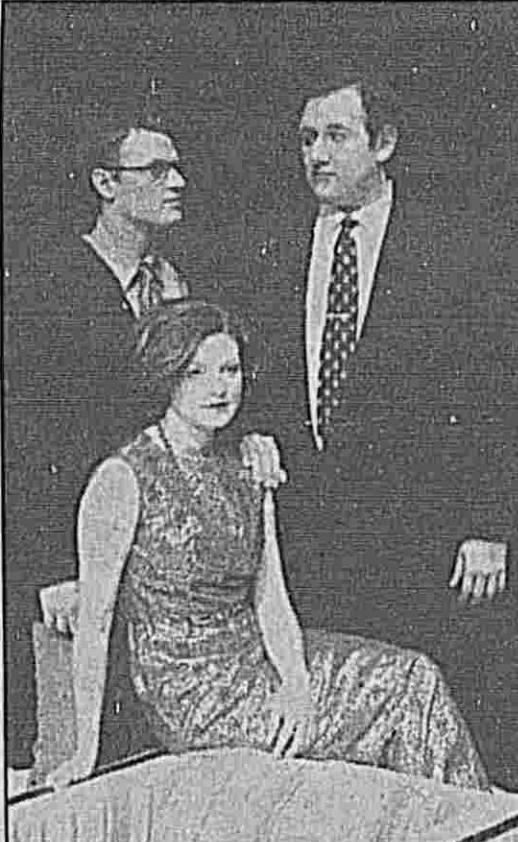
CLC theatre presents 'Born Yesterday'

"Born Yesterday," a comedy about politics and love set in Washington, D.C., will be presented by the College of Lake County Theatre Department at 7:30 p.m. on April 15, 16, 21, 22 and 23. The play was written by Garson Kanin and is directed and designed by Thomas B. Mitchell. It will be performed in the Studio Theatre, located in the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts on the Grayslake campus. A sign language interpreter will be provided for the April 21 performance. Set in the politics of Washington, D.C., this comedy enjoyed one of the longest runs in history and has been filmed twice. It is filled with political misdeeds, crooked schemes, scandal and disaster. The setting has been updated from the 1940s to the 1970s. The Washington scene is a backdrop for a political reporter who falls in love with an innocent and idealistic young woman. The couple rejects

the skullduggery of social and political America to strike out on their own for true love. "One reason I chose the play is because it deals with empowering women," Mitchell said.

The cast features Holly Paine, Waukegan; Todd Mendoza, Fox Lake; and Michael Wagemann, Mundelein, in the lead roles. In addition, the cast includes Justin Kozerow, Zion; Richard French, Waukegan; Samantha Rivera, Spring Grove; and Ryan McNeil, Winthrop Harbor.

Tickets for the performance are \$9 for the general public and \$7 for CLC students/staff/alumni association members and seniors 65 and over. For tickets, call (847) 543-2300 or stop by the CLC Box Office, located in the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts on CLC's Grayslake Campus. The Box Office opens 90 minutes before each performance begins.



Clockwise from right: Todd Mendoza, Holly Paine and Michael Wagemann have an uneasy connection in the CLC Theatre Department production of "Born Yesterday," to be presented April 15-16, 21-23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Studio Theatre at the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts on the Grayslake campus.

Hot Spots

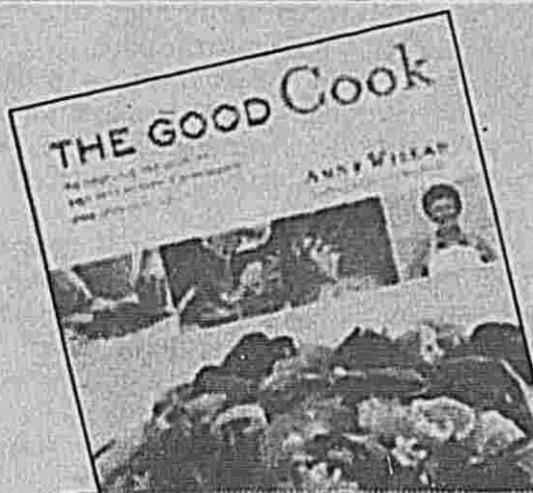
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1 Tbl. oil

4 thick slices of bacon, diced
2 Tbl. flour
2 cups chicken stock
Salt and pepper to taste

Marinate the chicken pieces in the Red Wine Marinade, refrigerating for 12 to 24 hours if you have time. Drain the pieces on paper towels, straining and reserving the marinade, with the bouquet garni and cheesecloth bag, and vegetables separately. (If you are short of time, go straight ahead without marinating.)

In a sauce pan, heat the oil and brown the chicken pieces on all sides, taking 10 to 15 minutes. Remove them, add the bacon, and fry until it starts to brown. Stir in the reserved vegetables and brown them as well.

Stir in the flour and cook until browned, 1 to 2 minutes. Add the reserved marinade, and bring to a boil, stirring until it thickens slightly. Simmer 2 minutes so the wine reduces thoroughly. Stir in the chicken stock and replace the chicken pieces, pushing them down into the sauce.

Cover the pan and simmer on the stove, or in a preheated 350 degree F oven, until the chicken pieces are very tender when pierced with a two-pronged fork, 35 to 40 minutes. Turn the pieces halfway through cooking. If the sauce gets thick, stir in more stock. At

(Stewart Tabori & Chang). It still involves preparing a red wine marinade for the cut-up chicken using an easy-to-follow recipe. And if you're rushed for time and don't want to let the chicken marinate for 24 hours, Willan gives the nod to skip that step and simply cook the chicken

without marinating. Between the covers of Willan's instructive book you also will find guidance on mastering meats, preparing perfect pasta and rice, fabulous fish and seafood and pastry fundamentals. And plenty of step-by-step photos, too.



Tom Witom
**COOKING
BY THE BOOK**

Red Wine Marinade

2 Tbl. olive oil
2 onions, sliced
1 carrot, sliced
1 celery stalk, sliced
1 bottle (750 ml) red wine
1/2 cup red wine vinegar
Bouquet garni of 2 bay leaves and a few sprigs of thyme and parsley
2 garlic cloves, chopped
12 whole peppercorns
12 juniper berries

In a saucepan, heat the oil and sauté the onions, carrot and celery until soft, about 5 minutes. Add the wine, vinegar, bouquet garni and garlic cloves. Tie the peppercorns and juniper berries in a piece of cheesecloth and pound with a rolling pin to crush them. Add the bag to the wine mixture, bring to a boil and simmer until the vegetables are tender, 15 to 20 minutes. Let cool and then chill before using. Cooked marinades like this keep well in the refrigerator up to 2 days before use.

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1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon ground red pepper
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
2 tablespoons water
2-1/2 cups sweetened flaked coconut
1 pound large shrimp, peeled and deveined, with tails left on
2 cups vegetable oil

1. In a shallow dish, combine the flour, sugar, ground red pepper, and salt; mix well. In a medium bowl, beat together the eggs and water. Place the coconut in another shallow dish.

2. Coat the shrimp with the flour mixture then with the egg mixture. Roll in the coconut, pressing the coconut firmly onto the shrimp to coat completely.

3. In a large saucepan, heat the oil over medium heat. Cook the shrimp in batches for 1-1/2 to 2 minutes, or until golden, turning once during cooking.

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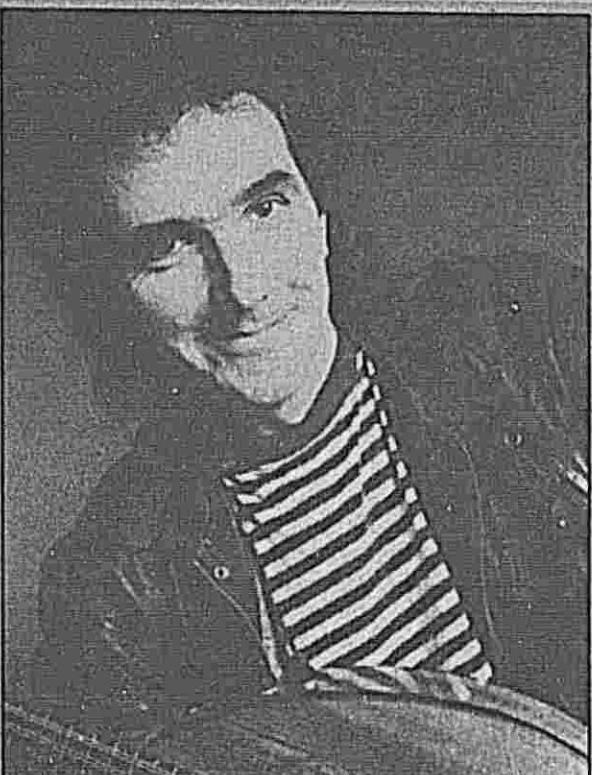
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In December of 2000, he performed an original song before Queen Elizabeth II; and performed again for her in May of 2002 as part of the Royal Golden Jubilee.

For Reservations, contact Keith at 815 338-5164 or at blueloom@sbcglobal.net. At Stage Left Café, the Woodstock Opera House Annex, 125 Van Buren Street, Woodstock April 27, 2005, at 8 p.m.; \$10.

Northlight lands a big one with witty 'Red Herring'



By Tom Witom

Laughs come at a breathless pace in the Chicago premiere of "Red Herring," a nutty, razor-sharp comedy with a film noir flavor written by Michael Hollinger.

Set in 1952 at the height of the Cold War, this thigh-slapping production directed by Jessica Thebus mixes romance and intrigue. Hollinger's characters include two amorously linked federal agents, an overly talkative landlady, a spy who may (or may not) be alive and a newly engaged young couple - she the

daughter of Sen. Joseph McCarthy, forever known for his full-fledged "commie" witch hunt, and he, a Jewish spy for the Russians.

An energetic six-member cast handles these roles and many others, all with the perfect timing required for such a madcap night at the theater to succeed.

Also highly suited for the show is the set by properties designer Joanna Doyle. It features a shadowy Boston dock complete with sinister pilings and a life-sized billboard with a reproduction of Winslow Homer's "The Herring Net." Various roll-away props deftly change the environment from one blackout

A scene from Michael Hollinger's "Red Herring." Al Northlight Theatre features (from left) John Lister, Tracy Michelle Arnold and Scott Jaeck.

scene to the next as the characters shift from a hotel room to the waterfront, from a bar to a bridal shop and from church confessional to a ship somewhere in the Pacific.

Scott Jaeck is in fine form as a bulldog of an FBI man with a soft spot for his partner, played by Tracy Michelle Arnold, seek to nail a spy ring that's supplying H-bomb secrets to the wrong hands.

James Appel draws waves of laughter as the young suitor - and geeky physicist and spy - who tells his intended bride (Lesley Bevan), "I want you to be my wife so we'll never have to argue again."

Marriage, in fact, is the current that sparks this runaway farce. Linda Kimbrough, as landlady Kravitz, gets involved in a hilarious skit with John Lister, as an secret Soviet agent who not only must pretend to be her husband, but also has to scam the authorities into thinking he's a mute. His goofy, exaggerated pantomimes steal the scene.

Kimbrough goes on to mine further comedic gold as the bossy proprietor of a bridal shop.

Truth be told, "Red Herring" is packed with so much zaniness, you'll just have to see it for yourself.



"Red Herring"

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Grayslake Lions Club

April 10 Sunday

7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Grayslake Lions Club will hold its annual pancake breakfast at the Grayslake Fire Station in downtown Grayslake. \$5/adults, \$4/seniors over 62, \$3/children 5 to 12, children under 5/free.

Music

Carmel High School announces Spring musical

Carmel High School's Drama Club announces this year's spring musical production, "Annie". The play will be presented on Friday, April 15 and Saturday, April 16 at 7 p.m.. The Sunday, April 17 performance is at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students and senior citizens. Tickets available in advance or at the door.

For additional information, please call the fine arts department at 847-327-6348, or contact Mrs. Judy Territo, Drama Teacher via email at JTerrito@carmelhs.org.

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the Youth or call FBC to place your order.

FBC Cookbook - The youth are asking everyone to contribute their favorite recipes. Recipes are being collected through mid-May and the cookbooks will arrive in July/August. They will be taking orders in advance. Know someone that is hard to buy for? This cookbook would make a great gift, so start making your list. Please drop your recipes off in the church foyer or they can be e-mailed to Lisa Williams at lisaanddaveal@comcast.net.

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Festival

'Artists on the Bluff'

The "Artists on the Bluff" will be holding their 5th annual Festival of the Arts on Saturday June 25 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday June 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., on the Village Green in Lake Bluff (at Sheridan Road and Route 176).

The Festival will feature the work of many area artists as well as live entertainment.

A unique feature of the festival is "Quick Draw", when participating artists work from live models and still life set-ups around the gazebo, over a two-hour period (on Saturday from 12 to 2pm), as spectators observe. The work is then displayed in the Main Tent and is available for purchase at silent auction. Don't miss the opportunity to make some art of your own in the Creativity Tent. For more information, please visit www.ArtistsOnTheBluff.org.

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The Northbrook Park District Senior Center will host six fun new music classes this spring. Entitled "Beatles to Beethoven," sessions will re-introduce adults to some of their favorite composers' music, with piano and song accompaniment. Classes begin Monday, April 18, 10:00 a.m. at the 3323 Walters Avenue Center. Fees are \$25 for members, \$35 for non-members. For registration information, please call 847-291-2988.

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Exhibition

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Benefit

Pasta Bowl to Benefit Women's Health Facility

Once again it's time for fettuccini with the Ferraris and manicotti with the Maseratis.

The Women's Auxiliary Board of Lake Forest Hospital is delighted to invite the community to attend its second annual benefit, Pasta Bowl 2005. The popular event will take place Saturday, April 16, at Lake Forest Sportscars Ltd., 900 North Shore Drive, in Lake Bluff beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Art Show

A Celebration of Fiber Artistry

Midway Village & Museum Center will host a Fiber Arts Show & Sale in the Museum Center on April 2 & 3 from Noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children (3 to 15) and includes a visit to the exhibits in the Museum Center and the Dolls' House Museum. Members are free.

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Come and enjoy – observe and learn from our fiber artists. Midway Village & Museum Center is located at 6799 Guilford Rd between Perryville and Mulford Roads, just one mile from I-90. For more information call 815-397-9112 or visit www.midwayvillage.com.

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VOLO BOG

Spring programs

The following free programs are offered to the general public this Spring at Volo Bog State Natural Area. Reservations are required for most programs - please phone 815-344-1294 or email volobog@imaxx.net (Ameritech Relay Number for Hearing Impaired 1-800-526-0844). Volo Bog State Natural Area is an Illinois Department of Natural Resources site located on Brandenburg Road in Ingleside, Illinois, west of U.S. Highway 12 between State Routes 120 and 134.

Guided Tours of Volo Bog Saturdays & Sundays 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Sandhill cranes, red-winged blackbirds, fern fiddle heads and a warm southerly breeze accent spring tours of Volo Bog. No reservations are required for these one-hour tours held for the general public. Groups of ten people or more are asked to phone for special group arrangements. All ages are welcome (minimum age 5 recommended for public tours; minimum age 7 required for groups). Phone 815-344-1294 for further information. Ameritech Relay Number for the Hearing Impaired is 1-800-526-0844.

Shutter Bugs of Volo Bog Wednesdays, April 20; May 18, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Shutter Bugs camera club meets the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings include how-to workshops, members, photo and competitions (membership required to enter competitions). March's program features

Grace DeWolf on "Yellowstone - Burn & Survival." April's meeting is a competition where members may enter up to four slides and/or three prints for judging. May will feature photographer Bob Knupp on "Kalahari - Gensbok." For further information, phone 815-344-1294 or email volobog@imaxx.net. Ameritech Relay Number for the Hearing Impaired is 1-800-526-0844.

Spring Astronomy Nights

Fridays; April 15, May 20

8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Conducted by the Lake County Astronomical Society, Astronomy Nights at Volo Bog start with the club's business meeting at 7:30 p.m. An indoor presentation is held from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. followed by outdoor viewing through the club's many members' telescopes. The public is invited to attend any part of the evening. Reservations are not required; phone 815-344-1294 or visit the club's Web site at www.lcas-astronomy.org for further information. Ameritech Relay # 1-800-526-0844.

Bird Walks

April 2, 9, 24;

May 8, 14, 28, 8 a.m.

Join volunteer naturalist Randy Schietzel or Joel and Dorothy Orlinsky in search for spring arrivals and migrants including grebes, ducks, sandhill cranes, coots, killdeer, woodcocks and bluebirds. Ideal for both novice and veteran birders, the walks last up to three hours and cover a variety of habitats. Volo Bog has binoculars and bird books available on loan to those attending. The walks are open to adults and attentive children ages 7 and up. Reservations are required; phone 815-344-1294 or if by email at volobog@imaxx.net please tell us how many in your party and if children, age of the youngest child. Ameritech Relay for the hearing impaired is 1-800-526-0844.

Seeks Prairie gardener volunteers

Volo Bog's Prairie Gardener Volunteers are dedicated adults who love getting their hands dirty, for much of the work is pulling weeds to allow the prairie plants to expand. The group begins meeting in early

April with a planning and training session, then works through the fall of each year. Each member devotes 1 to 3 hours per week, pulling weeds, watering, transplanting seedlings, and collecting and scattering seeds. Members gain skills and knowledge that can be used in their home gardens as well. They enjoy the camaraderie of others who share the passion for nature and native species in the landscape. Members take pride in their work and enjoy the fruits of their labors - the beauty of a progression of blooms throughout the growing season at



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To obtain a volunteer application, set up an interview, or for further information on joining Volo Bog's Prairie Gardener Volunteers, please contact Volo Bog State Natural Area at 815-344-1294. Volo Bog State Natural Area is an Illinois Department of Natural Resources site located in Ingleside, Illinois west off Highway 12 between State Routes 120 and 134. Ameritech Relay for the Hearing Impaired is 800-526-0844.

Lake County Forest Preserves

WAKE UP SPRING AND SAY GOODBYE TO WINTER

Wake up nature, welcome back spring critters, and bid adieu to winter with the Lake County Forest Preserves. New nature programs will be offered by the Forest Preserves throughout the months of March and April to help herald in the new season.

To kick off the spring season, a Welcome to Spring program will be offered at Independence Grove Forest Preserve near Libertyville on Sunday, March 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. Spend an afternoon learning about the Vernal Equinox and seeing how plants and animals "wake-up" to bring on Spring. This program is open to all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is \$5 (\$7 for non Lake County residents) per person. Pre-registration is required. Call 847-968-3321 to register.

In April, join the Forest Preserves for evening walks in search of frogs and wood-cocks. Frog Walks will be offered Saturday, April 2, at Almond Marsh near Gurnee and again on Sunday, April 10 at Old School near Libertyville. Spend the evening listening and learning the importance of short-lived spring pools of water where frogs roost in the early days of spring. Learn how to identify different species of frogs by sight and sound.

Woodcock Walks will be offered on Sunday, April 3 at Grant Woods Forest Preserve near Fox Lake and Saturday, April 9 at Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve near Lake Forest. As twilight arrives, a unique courtship dance is performed as male wood-cocks try to impress the females. Hunker down in the grass for a peek at this odd ritual. Bring your binoculars as other spring migrants may also be present.

Both the Frog Walks and Woodcock Walks will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. All ages are invited, though children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost per program is \$6 (\$8 for non Lake County residents).

Pre-registration is required. Call 847-968-3321 to register.

Designs for Hope

The 2nd Annual Blue Ribbon Fashion Show

The Blue Ribbon Committee, composed of Women in Business from the Lake County Area and Kids Hope United staff, is extending a special invite to all Lake County residents. The committee needs the public come out and support Designs for Hope—the 2nd Annual Blue Ribbon Fashion Show on April 10 from 2 to 5 pm at Maravelas. In recognition of the National Child Abuse Prevention movement celebrated in April, we will be hosting the event to raise awareness and critical funds for the child abuse prevention programs of Kids Hope United. The cost of the ticket is \$50.

Beginning right at 2 pm, guests will hear Congresswoman Melissa Bean talk about child abuse prevention and a Kids Hope United client speak from her own experience about prevention efforts.

From 3-4, guests will be invited to shop at the vendor tables and sign up for wonderful Silent Auction items. The auction items are plentiful and will include everything from fitness memberships to restaurant gift certificates to Cubs tickets and Southwest Airline tickets.

From 4-5 spring fashions from Dress Barn, Geoffrey Beene, IZOD, and Van Heusen will be modeled by Lake County influencers such as Barbara Richardson, Jim Oberweis, Willard Helander, Kathy Ryg, JoAnn Osmond, Bruce Johnson, Jimmie Smith, Mary Ellen Vanderventer, Judge Mary Schostak, Rob Frank, Judge John Phillips, Kahdijah Hakeem and more.

Hopefully, we can rally support for a pressing cause and join the fun for the day. Help raise awareness and money for child abuse and neglect prevention. Without your support the abuse and neglect continues.

For more information, please call Pam Blowers at 847-245-6560

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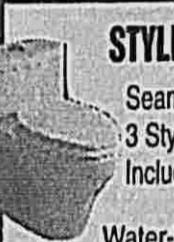


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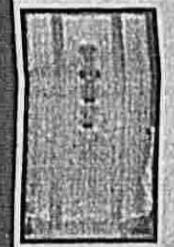
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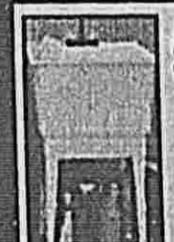
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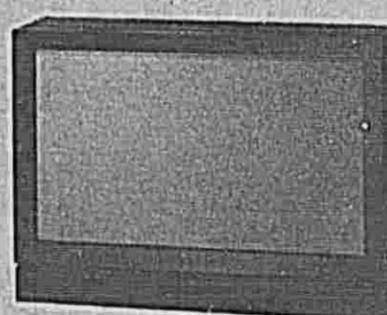
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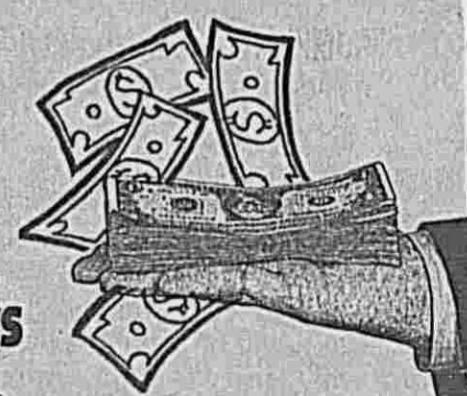
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These groups address coping with common symptoms of grief. Meets the first and third Wednesday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Lower Level Volunteer Conference Room at Westmoreland Nursing Center, 660 N. Westmoreland Road (adjacent to Lake Forest Hospital). For more information and to register, call Hospice Partners, 800-994-9400.

MIDWESTERN CANCER TREATMENT CENTERS OF AMERICA

Free Community Health Fair April 2

Families are invited to attend the third annual free community health fair at Gurnee Mills on Saturday, April 2. More than 1,000 people enjoyed last year's event.

The fair, presented by Cancer Resource Center and Gurnee Mills, features free tests from blood pressure checks, glucose testing, body fat testing, and Accupoint testing to postural assessment and soft tissue tightness evaluation. In addition, there will be a food sample table, sponsored by Whole Foods.

Bernard Eden, MD, radiation oncologist at Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA) in Zion, will also be on hand to answer questions about the latest in radiation therapy for cancer treatment.

Those attending the fair will also be available for door prize and other free giveaways. Scheduled between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., the fair will be located in the show court near entrance G. For more information, call 847-856-1220.

CONDELL HEALTH NETWORK

Condell continues Building Blocks series

Condell Day Center's Building B.L.O.C.K.S. (Building Learning Opportunities for Caregivers and Kids) series, continues its educational series with new sessions for parents and their children ages one to three years old. Sessions in the Building B.L.O.C.K.S. series will meet from 10-11 am Wednesdays at the Condell Day Center, located on Condell Medical Center's campus, 700 Garfield Ave., Libertyville.

The cost per session is \$35 per family. Early registration is suggested, but not required. Please call 847-990-5800 for further information or to register.

Building Blocks sessions and topics:

April 6 - May 4, 2005: Eric Carle (Discuss the many children's books by this renowned illustrator and author, including The Very Hungry Caterpillar.)

May 18 - June 15, 2005: Bugs and Butterflies

RELAXATION THERAPY

Finding Your Peace

"Finding Your Peace," a workshop in relaxation therapy, will be held from 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, in the conference room of the Hilltop Executive Center, 1580 S. Milwaukee Avenue, in Libertyville. The workshop will teach six specific techniques for finding and sustaining an internal core of peace, even when life seems to demand that you feel stressed. You'll discover that you do have both the time and ability to choose a more peaceful life for yourself.

Relaxation therapy can help you to: reduce stress and let go of worry, strengthen your immune system, lower blood pressure, improve concentration and work performance, raise your confidence, reduce conflict in relationships and increase joy in your life. The workshop will be led by Lisa M. Schab, a licensed clinical social worker and author of six self-help books. Because space is limited, registration is necessary by Thursday, April 14. To register, or for more information, call 847-782-1722.

Once again it's time for fettuccini with the Ferraris and manicotti with the Maseratis. The Women's Auxiliary Board of Lake Forest Hospital is delighted to invite the community to attend its second annual benefit, Pasta Bowl 2005. The popular event will take place Saturday, April 16, at Lake Forest Sportscars Ltd., 900 North Shore Drive, in Lake Bluff beginning at 6:30 p.m.

As guests enjoy cocktails among the incredible sports cars, judges taste and choose their favorite pasta recipe. Seven teams of chefs, using pasta generously donated by Barilla Pasta, compete for awards. Members of last year's Pasta Bowl teams receive the honor of serving as judges.

The Lake Bluff Precision Vacuum Cleaner Drill Team, a Lake Forest Hospital physicians' team and a Lake Forest High School team will compete. Angel Hair Pastors (comprising clergy from local churches), Village Pasta and

Pasta Bowl to benefit Women's Health Facility at Lake Forest Hospital

Lake Forest Librarians will represent the Lake Forest/Lake Bluff community. The Lake Bluff Volunteer Firemen, a particular favorite from last year's event, will be back to compete for the coveted People's Choice award.

Tickets cost \$85 each, and all proceeds will benefit the recently opened Hunter Family Center for Women's Health at Lake Forest Hospital.

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Donors get a 'wild hair' to help charitable organizations

It was the labor of love, not for their own hair, that drove them to chair. In the end, children in need of wigs and cancer patients in need of financial assistance were the winners.

Nine women and girls, and one man, donated their long tresses to Locks of Love by going to a Zion salon and getting at least 10 inches taken off the end. Each of the individuals had connections to Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA) through employment, family and friends.

Several employees got the idea it was time to cut it off and wanted to give their hair to a good cause. Locks of Love, a non profit organization that donates hair pieces to financially disadvantaged children ages 18 and under, was a natural choice. But the giving didn't stop there. All of the participants solicited sponsors for the event so the proceeds could benefit Assistance in Healthcare. Assistance in Healthcare is a not for profit 501 (c) (3) foundation that assists cancer patients with their non-medical expenses.

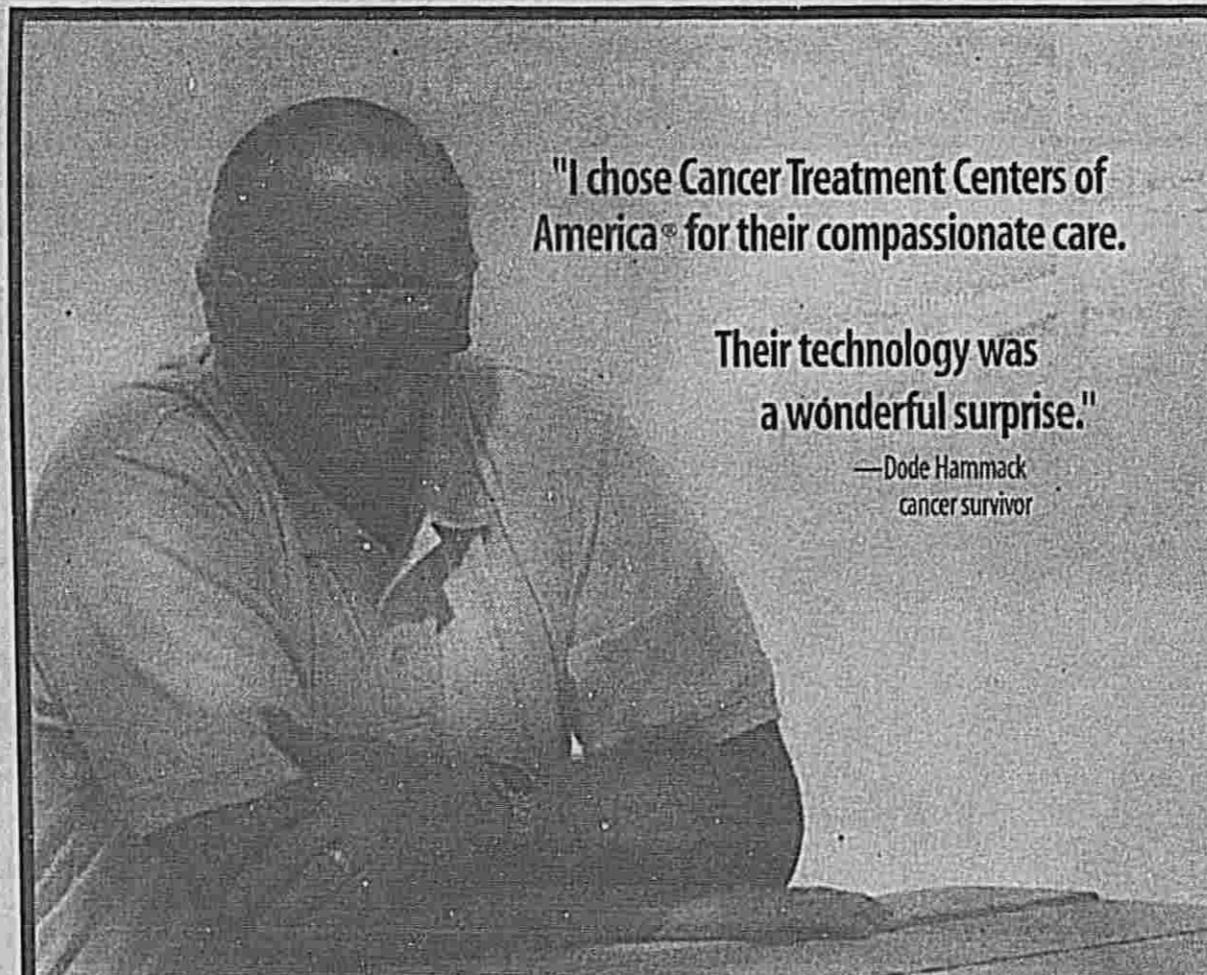
The group approached management at Hair Illusions on Sheridan Road in Zion who readily donated their services for the charitable event. After the hair stopped falling, nearly 150 inches had been donated to Locks of Love and more than \$3,700 in sponsorships had been collected for Assistance in Healthcare.



Sierra Prisk, 9, of Pleasant Prairie was one of the 10 individuals with a Cancer Treatment Centers of America connection who donated hair to Locks of Love. The donated hair is used to make wigs for children in need. Participants also raised money for Assistance in Healthcare, a not for profit organization that aids cancer patients with financial assistance. In all, nearly 150 inches of hair was donated and more than \$3,700 was raised. Hair Illusions in Zion donated the hair styling services.



A variety of tasty pasta creations again will be served up at Lake Forest Sportscars Ltd. (900 North Shore Drive) in Lake Bluff during the annual Pasta Bowl sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary Board of Lake Forest Hospital. This year's event takes place Saturday, April 16, at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the new Hunter Family Center for Women's Health addition to the hospital.



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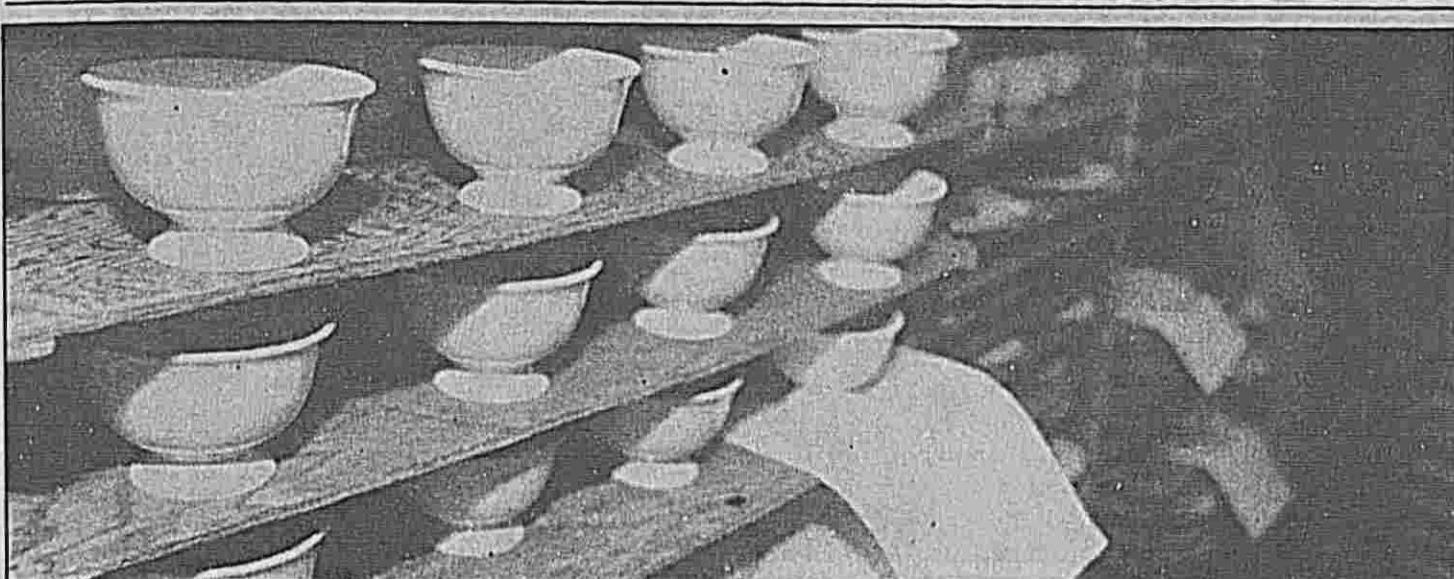
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PICKARD CHINA



Unpainted Pickard China bowls wait for an artist's touch in the manufacturing center of Pickard China located in Antioch.

a blue color painted on top.

The banding on the china is all applied by hand with a brush. The gold is 24-K and the silver is actually pure platinum. Pickard china has the widest bands of precious metals among makers of fine china, Morgan said.

After it is applied and fired, the metal is burnished by hand with fiberglass, making it shine brilliantly. In addition to its artistic renderings, the china glaze is extremely hard and the dishes are strong.

Pickard china owners are rather illustrious. The gravy boats were not the only government contract that Pickard had. The company created the china service that is used on Air Force One, commissioned by the Reagan administration. They also designed the china for Camp David, which uses orange and red colors to create a rustic hue for the less formal residence.

Pickard has produced all of the china used by the U.S. Embassies around the world. When heads of state or foreign diplomats stay in Blair House, the guesthouse of the White House, visitors use Pickard china with a floral pattern.

Pickard also creates special pieces that are used as awards or gifts. Even the first dogs have their own Pickard dish. The first dog to receive one was Millie, the dog that belonged to George and Barbara Bush, accord-

ing to company Spokesperson Sandra Parisi.

This is not to say the china is unavailable to the individual customer. The brand is carried in fine stores. However, for those who come to Lake County, anyone can purchase seconds at its outlet mall, and even some items made only for the outlet store, such as candlesticks, vases or even a mug.

It is said that Pickard seconds are like first quality of other companies, Morgan said. Pieces that the company considers too flawed are destroyed.

The outlet store is home to the small museum too. There you can see some of the patterns used by the presidents, all the way down to a replica of the dog dish. The museum also has antique pieces of Pickard China, none of which are for sale.

For anyone interested in visiting the outlet and museum, it is at 782 Pickard Ave., east of Main Street (Route 83) in downtown Antioch. It is open between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday. The company does not offer tours of its factory, but what can be seen makes it worth the trip. More information is available at www.pickardchina.com or by calling 847-395-3800, Ext. 32.

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Long Grove hosts
6th Chocolate Fest-
April 29 to May 1

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Dip into the Long Grove Confectionery's fondue tent in Fountain Square, go with the flow of chocolate fountains, roll gourmet truffles in the Chef Tent on Town Green, enjoy a Champagne Chocolate Brunch, and indulge in sweet treats such as Long Grove Confectionery candies, chocolate covered strawberries and bananas, chocolate caramel popcorn, chocolate martinis, chocolate tea, and edible chocolate cups filled with wine.

On Saturday and Sunday, there will be free ongoing demonstrations by pastry chefs and chocolate artists from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Chef Tent on Town Green. Those scheduled to present include Master Pastry Chefs Jacqui Pfeiffer and Sebastien Canonne, co-founders of the French Pastry School; Annie Overboe, Daily Herald Food Columnist; Sandy Folsom, Assistant Director of the Wilton School of Cake Decorating; Pastry Chef Diana Moles, Eli's

Cheesecake Company; Doug Behnke, owner of Gold Coast Chocolate Company; Executive Pastry Chef Kader Temkit, Kendall Culinary College; Pam Vieau, owner of Chocolate Inspirations, and Juliana Zaremba, President, Washburne Culinary Institute's Alumni Association.

Another special highlight of the weekend will be the Kids' Chocolate Candy Fashion Show, sponsored by the Long Grove Confectionery and the Jelly Belly Candy Company. Shows will be at noon and again at 2 p.m. in Fountain Square Saturday and Sunday. Fountain Square will also host a Kids' Activity Tent with chocolate related crafts. Candy Bar Bingo, an additional new sweet treat for kids, will be played at Cassandra's of Long Grove, right behind the Chef Demo Tent.

Throughout the weekend there will be drawings for cooking classes, dinners, and special tours, with all proceeds benefiting the Foundation for Developmentally Disabled Children. This organization provides yearly grants to agencies throughout the Chicago metropolitan area that treat, educate, and foster inclusion for children with special needs.

New, too, this year, is free shuttle bus service from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 30th and Sunday, May 1st, running between the parking lots at Geimer Greenhouses on Old Route 53 and the Long Grove business district.

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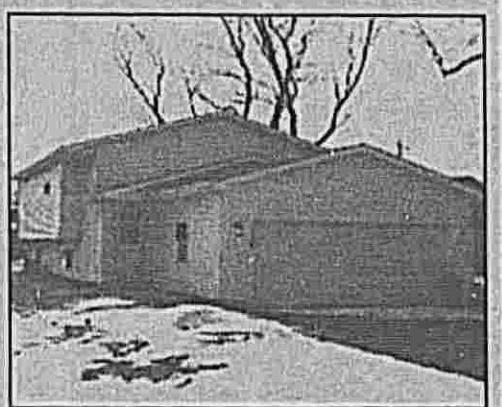


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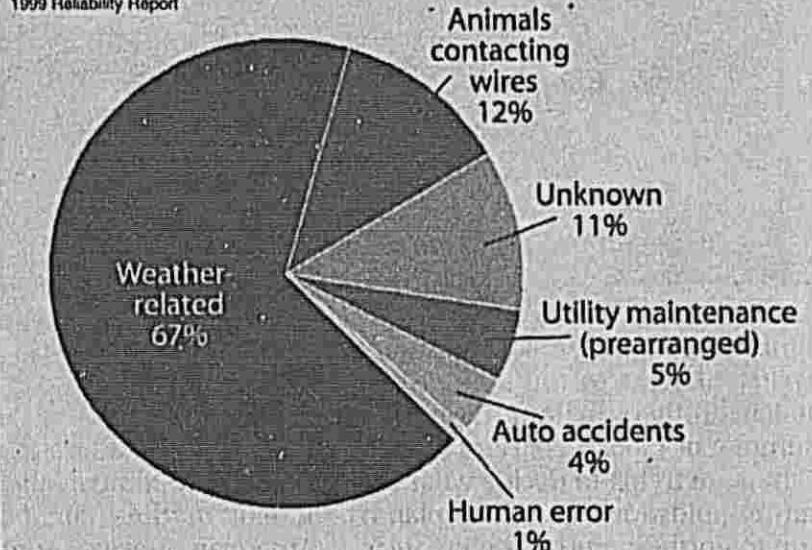
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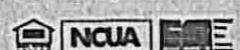
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You may be a bit on edge, Aries. Even though you can't see the future, rest assured that good challenges lie ahead. You're ready for the tasks at hand. Remember, friends will chip in.



TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

An authority figure's negative reaction may leave you feeling frustrated and confused, Taurus. Take heart that the real reason doesn't have to do with your ideas.



GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Money and friendship would be a messy mix this week, Gemini. It's better not to loan money to someone close, or you may never get it back. Expect hurt feelings.



CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Keeping secrets creates an ethical dilemma for you, Cancer. However, it's best if you keep what you know to yourself for just a bit longer in order to protect all involved.



LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

A family member may be getting on your nerves, Leo, even though he or she isn't doing anything over the top. Venting will help. Just be honest about voicing your feelings.



VIRGO - Aug 24/Sep 22

The time has come to stop frivolous spending, Virgo. Hide those credit cards and keep minimal cash on hand. Otherwise you could see your bank account dwindle quickly.



LIBRA - Sep 23/Oct 23

This week, others are set on being elusive and nonresponsive. Don't let it get to you, Libra. Use it as an opportunity to catch up on what you need to do.



SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

You'll be spending more time on travel, socializing and entertaining this week, Scorpio. Relish the attention you will be receiving, even though it's not something you normally seek.



SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You've been optimistic about getting the financial backing you need for an important investment, Sagittarius. However, expect a setback in the next few days.



CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Bigger and better things may be on your mind this week, Capricorn. But the rigors of everyday life don't leave you much time for basking in the glow of what could be.



AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Your goal for advancement at work isn't too far off. Just keep your nose to the grindstone, Aquarius, and you'll see all of your hard work will pay off soon.



PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

You feel very dissatisfied with a close friend. Resentments over money may have come between you, Pisces. Make strides to remedy it.



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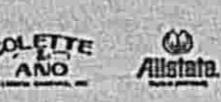
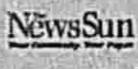
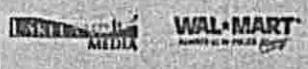
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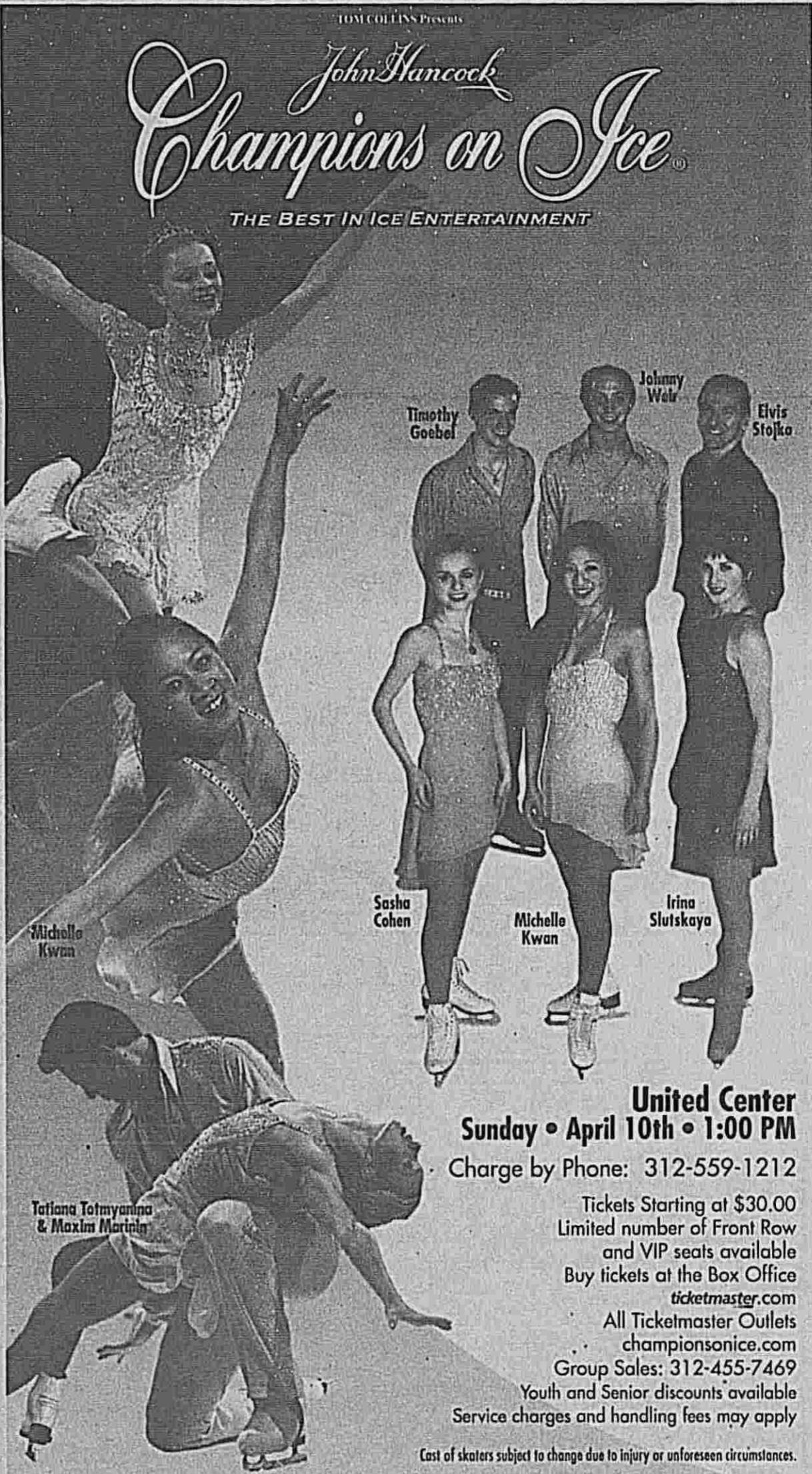


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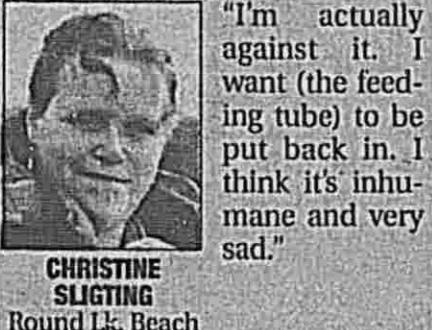
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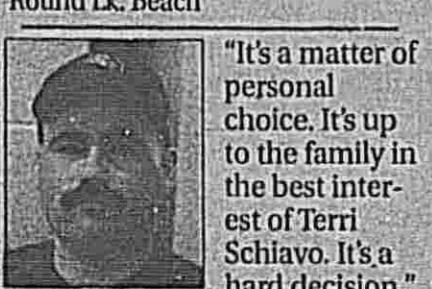
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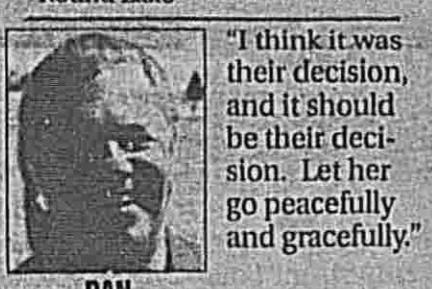
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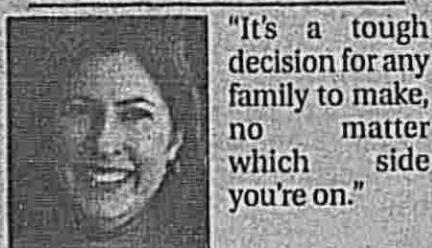
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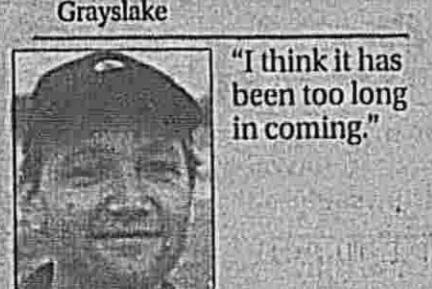
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County officials more confident with referendum

By Nicholas Alajakis

Staff Reporter

Saying they have better spread the word about what a tax hike would lead to, Lake County leaders are confident that voters will meet a new referendum proposal positively next week.

County Board Chairman Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa), said she has been getting better reactions about the proposed transportation referendum. In March 2004, 55 percent of voters in the county voted against a .25 percent sales tax hike that would alleviate congestion on county roads. This time around, the ballot will feature a .50 percent sales tax increase.

The difference, Schmidt said, is the way the referendum is being presented. Last time many voters said they thought it was vague, because it didn't highlight specific projects, Schmidt said.

"People want to see projects done that affect them," Schmidt said. "I would tell them I can't promise anything...."

Now Lake County officials can promise things. Since county board members voted 17-4 in favor of placing the item in a ballot, plans have been circulating detailing exactly what the referendum would fix.

Among the projects detailed in the referendum: Improve the "Millburn Strangler," near the inter-

section of Millburn and Route 45. Widen Route 45 north of Mundelein to Lake Villa. Complete repairs on Route 21 in Gurnee. Widen Route 60 and 83 in Mundelein and Vernon Hills. Widen Greenbay Road in Waukegan, north of Sunset Avenue. Widen Delany Road in Gurnee. Improve 33 intersections throughout the county. Synchronize 109 traffic signals in eastern Lake County, from the southern part of the county up to Waukegan. Make interchange improvement at Route 41 and Route 22, and at Route 41 and West Park Avenue, in the southern part of the county. Help fund an underpass at Wisconsin Central rail tracks near Butterfield Road.

The projects were identified from traffic meetings held throughout the county late in 2004. Most are state projects.

The projects are widespread enough, that Schmidt said she feels people will jump on board. To only

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UCLC adds 17th school, programs

The University Center of Lake County added National-Louis University as its 17th member institution through action taken by its Governing Board.

National-Louis was approved to bring a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science to the University Center.

"I'm delighted to welcome National-Louis into membership," said G. Gary Grace, executive director and dean. "A bachelor's completion program in business

administration was our highest priority based on our recent needs assessment. We also identified a market for social science and pre-law programs that will be addressed by the political science degree."

Both programs will follow an accelerated calendar and will use a "cohort" model in which a group of students are admitted and move through the sequence of courses together. It is anticipated that these new programs will begin in the Fall of 2005.

At the same meeting, Northeastern Illinois University received approval to add a Master of Arts in Special Education program.

Open to both current teachers and career-changers who hold a bachelor's degree, the program will prepare students for certification as a Learning Behavior Specialist I. NEIU has offered special education coursework in Lake County for some years and will now bring a full degree program.

Representatives of all three pro-

grams will be available for questions at the University Center's College Night on April 11, from 5 to 7 p.m., in the main lobby of the College of Lake County in Grayslake.

The University Center of Lake County is a consortium of 17 colleges and universities from throughout the state that bring bachelor's completion, graduate, and professional development programs to Lake County. For more information, visit www.ucenter.org or call 847-777-6990.

Newly-created Web site hits the mother-lode



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Beth Olzewski huddles at her Wadsworth home with daughters Katie, 6, and Kerri, 4 1/2. Olzewski is starting www.lakecountymoms.com to give moms health and childcare resources.

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

Struggling to balance a career along with parenting, Beth Olzewski has created a new resource to help others master the full-time job of mothering.

A married mother with three young children, Olzewski experienced the typical difficulties of finding babysitters and taking care of sick kids while managing her own career. She recently created [LakeCountyMoms.com](http://www.lakecountymoms.com), a site where mothers can find parenting advice and services whenever they need them.

Providing information to women raising children ranging in age from infants to teenagers, her Web site serves "almost like an

online magazine" for members, Olzewski said.

"It's basically a one-stop shop for moms, everything they need to assist them with parenting on an everyday basis."

More than 150 articles and resources are available at the site, covering what to do for everything from nursing and teething concerns to post-pubescent issues.

Membership benefits also include 12 issues of Lake County Mom news, local news, recipes and crafts for children to complete. Mother may look for suggested

places to shop, and even enter themselves in the mom of the month contest. Residents may also communicate in chat-rooms and on message boards, where they can search for day-care centers, doctors and even play-date partners for their children. Tutors and music teachers may also be located online for children.

More than 30 women signed up for the service before the site became publicly available, and

Beth Olzewski
Founder of [LakeCountyMoms.com](http://www.lakecountymoms.com)

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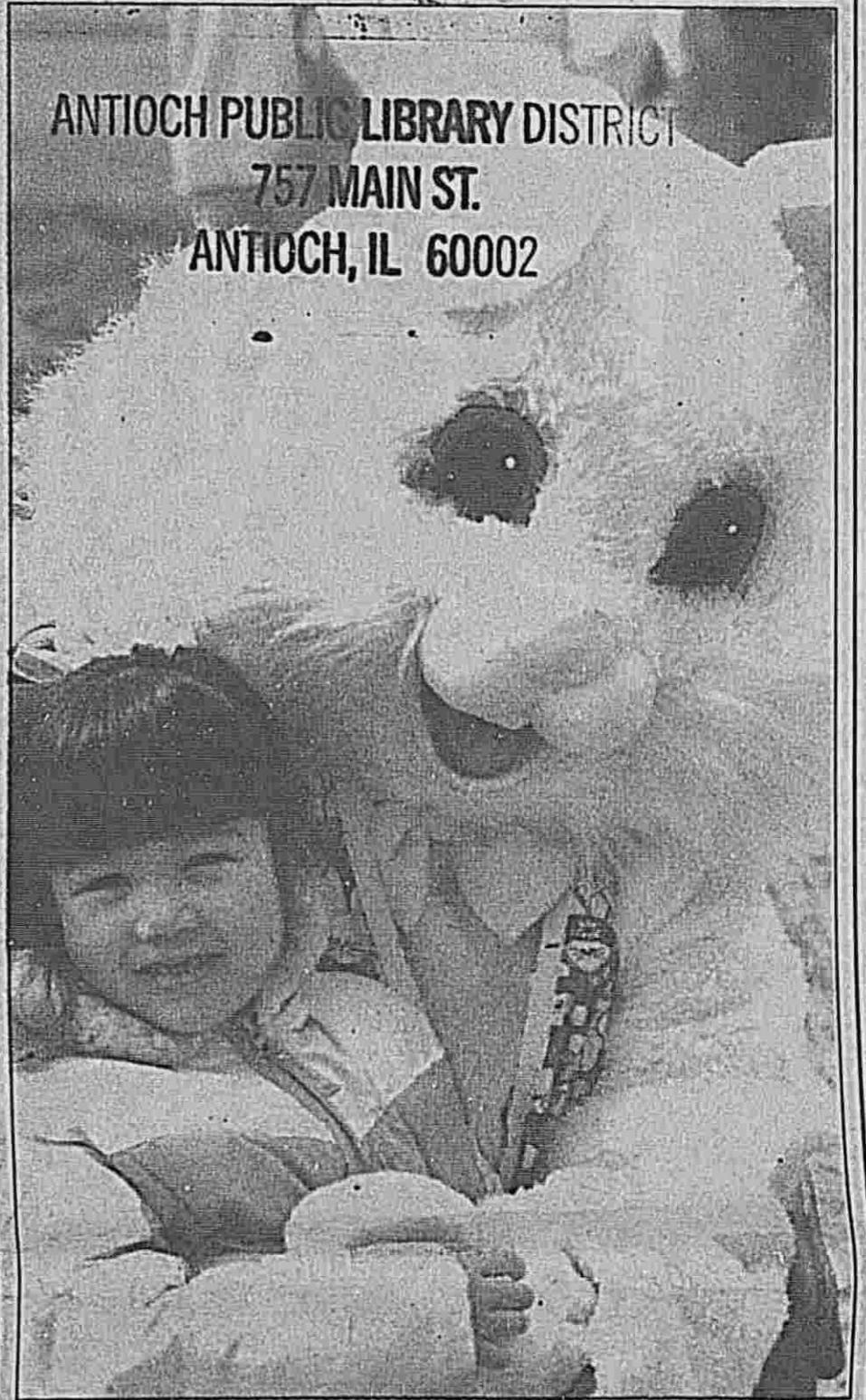


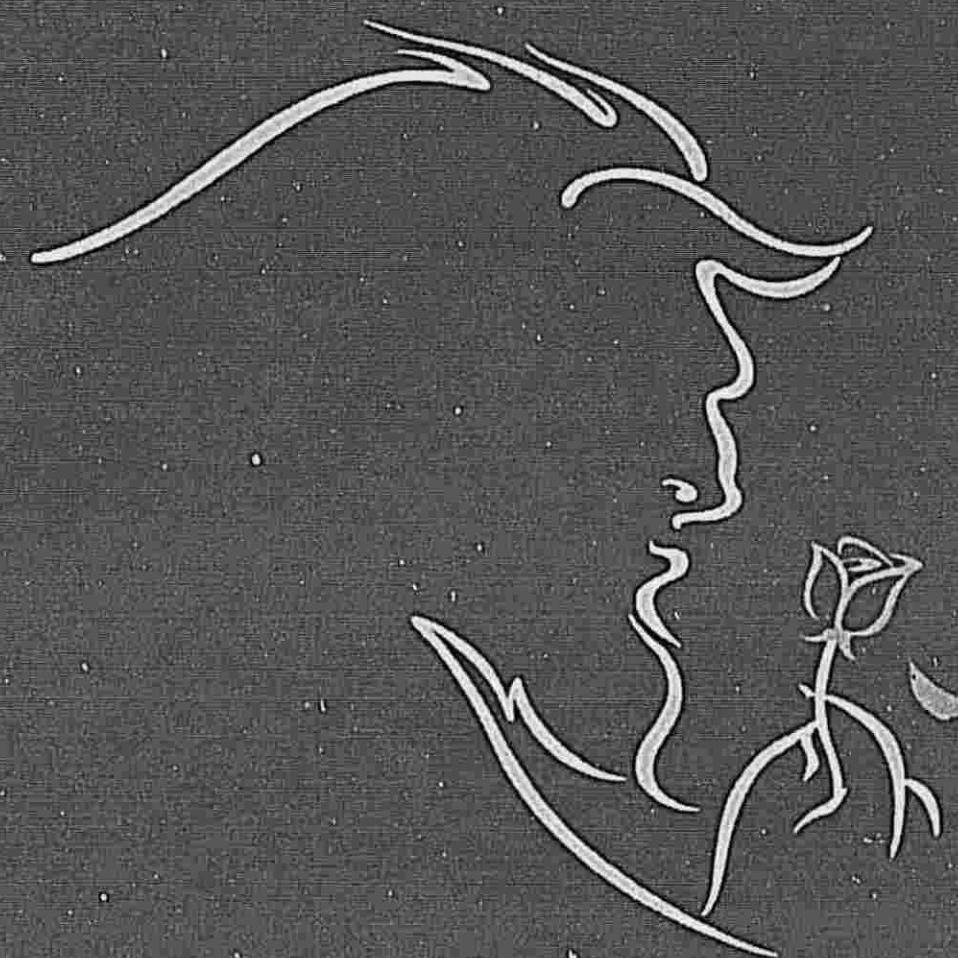
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Natalie Kim, 4, of Grayslake meets the Easter bunny during the annual Re/Max Egg Hunt and Easter celebration at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake.

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County Board members throw their 1/2-cents in on road tax question

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

Addressing a City Club of Waukegan audience Tuesday, Lake County board member Steve Carlson (R-Grandwood Park) began his presentation by framing the debate in the most advantageous terms.

"How many of you like to pay taxes?" he asked the club members, preparing his argument against the county referendum for a one-half cent increase in sales tax for road improvements.

His question elicited laughs and a few sarcastic rejoinders, but his stance seemed to echo with many in attendance. "How many of you like to pay twice for the same things? I didn't, and that's the simplest way I can explain my vote."

One of only four board members to vote against placing a referendum on the April 5 ballot, Carlson debated its merits against Lake County Board Chair Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa), who favors the proposal. Schmidt said the tax increase would benefit economic development and local residents' quality of life, while Carlson claimed the referendum is a sign that state government has abdicated its responsibilities and passed unnecessary costs on to local residents.

If passed, the referendum would raise approximately \$30 million per-year through sales taxes to provide funding for road improvements, Schmidt said.

That money could be utilized to make improvements to Routes 45 and 83, among many planned projects, and widen Green Bay Road to four lanes. A program would also be instituted to synchronize traffic lights in Lake County.

Transportation has become one of the county's biggest problems, Schmidt said. Residents cannot drive where they want to go quickly enough, burn too much gasoline on the way and "if the public is stuck in traffic, so are the rescue vehicles," she said.

"We hear all the time from people, 'Fix the roads, we don't care whose they are, we're sick of sitting in traffic,'" Schmidt said. "I feel your pain, because we are doing state projects, but if we don't do them I don't know if the state will."

Asked why the board supports this referendum when another proposal for a quarter-cent increase already failed, Schmidt said that prospective revenue would have proven ineffective to fund "astronomical" road improvement costs. "You couldn't do this with a quarter-cent, you couldn't do it," she said, adding that the added taxes would cost an average of \$44 per person each year. "And people are complaining now, saying it's not enough."

Carlson said that state legislators "run from the problems and pass them on to local government," and that increasing the sales tax to do the state's work would mark a critical mistake.

"I think we're in danger of setting a precedent here that will haunt us in years to come," he said, claiming that the referendum would let the legislature off the hook. "If we pay twice, if we tax ourselves to pave state roads, God help us."

Improving roads would help protect area businesses, as "we're losing jobs to Wisconsin daily," Schmidt said. Carlson disagreed, claiming that Gurnee Mills is "fighting tooth and nail" against Kenosha, and "the last thing they need is a half-cent sales tax."

Both board members concluded their remarks by urging residents to call their state representatives and ask them to find and bring home money for road improvements.

Though winning state legislators' permission to place the referendum on a ballot took five years, Schmidt said the board would not pursue another such tax increase if this proposal is voted down.

County board members should hold the state accountable for funding road projects, said Waukegan resident Chuck Fornero. He said it was crazy that automobile purchases would be exempt from potential tax collection.

Waukegan Regional Airport Manager Jim Stanczak said the referendum could encourage businesses and corporations to establish jobs and facilities in Lake County.

"People that are working here are caught in traffic everyday," Stanczak said. "We've got to maintain or increase our tax base, otherwise taxes go up."

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Carlson: State passes along problems.



Schmidt: Favors upcoming road tax referendum.

Absentee voting set for April 2

Lake County Clerk Willard Helander announced that in-person absentee voting for the April 5, Consolidated Election also be available at the County Clerk's office on April 2. Any registered voter in Lake County who is qualified to vote by absentee ballot may vote from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Lake County Clerk's office, 18 N. County St., Room 101, Waukegan.

Absentee voting will also be offered on

April 2, at many municipal and township offices. Voters should contact their local municipal or township office to confirm the hours of operation.

The last day to vote in-person absentee for the April 5, consolidated election at the County Clerk's office and other participating county locations is April 4 until the close of regular business hours. For additional absentee voting information, call 847-377-2406.

COUNTY

spread the word about what a tax hike would lead to, Lake County leaders are confident that voters will meet a new referendum proposal positively next week.

County Board Chairman Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa), said she has been getting better reactions about the proposed transportation referendum. In March 2004, 55 percent of voters in the county voted against a .25 percent sales tax hike that would alleviate congestion on county roads. This time around, the ballot will feature a .50 percent sales tax increase.

The difference, Schmidt said, is the way the referendum is being presented. Last time many voters said they thought it was vague, because it didn't highlight specific projects, Schmidt said.

"People want to see projects done that affect them," Schmidt said. "I would tell them I can't promise anything...."

Now Lake County officials can promise things. Since county board members voted 17-

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MOMS

Olszewski said she looks forward to helping her fellow mothers find and provide everything their families need.

"You need all the help you can get," Olszewski said. "And anything you do that can help can be a big benefit."

Olszewski said she eventually hopes to solicit business' support and offer a club card for members. Card holders would receive restaurant discounts or free service, and she may depending on how well business does for the remainder of 2005.

Residents can purchase memberships at LakeCountyMoms.com for \$14.95.

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ALOOKBACK

Lake County history from the Lakeland Archives

10 YEARS AGO • 1995

The Lake County Sheriff's Department was awaiting a warrant to transport a murder suspect from Milwaukee. The Libertyville man allegedly stabbed his wife 25 times and then set fire to their home. The man was being treated in Milwaukee for burns suffered during the fire.

A "tagging crew" in Wauconda caused more than \$5,000 in damage to village and park district property. Police arrested male teenagers they believe were responsible for the spray-painting. Both of the teens arrested had gang affiliations.

15 YEARS AGO • 1990

The developer of Painted Lakes, the Lake County Forest Preserve and the Village of Lake Villa, all agreed to begin cooperating over the future use of 700 acres of undeveloped land in Lake Villa.

A Lake Zurich developer was given preliminary approval from the Village of Wauconda to construct 65 single-family homes on a 65-acre parcel. The land was located on the east side of Anderson Road, about a half-mile south of Route 176.



Erica Cecchi, 6, of Mundelein, has her hair washed by Angela Maselli of Bavaro Hair at a "cut-a-thon" to raise money for Lamb's Farm of Libertyville in 1995.

Lakeland Archives

Crime Stoppers seeks clues in 2 cases

Lake County Crime Stoppers and the Park City Police Department are seeking information regarding an Arson case.

On Nov. 7, 2004 at 2:40 a.m. the Park City Police Department was called to the area of the 500 block of Greenview in Park City, on a report of a car fire. Investigation found the fire to be a result of arson.

A plastic gasoline can was found on the roof of the vehicle. Gasoline was the accelerant used to start the fire. The vehicle was totally destroyed in the fire. Crime Stoppers is looking for anyone with information regarding this arson.

Lake County Crime Stoppers and the

Park City Police Department would like to remind everyone to call when suspicious activity or a suspicious person is observed, and do not try to confront suspicious subjects yourself.

Smash/grab burglaries

Crime Stoppers and the Lake County Sheriff's office are also seeking information regarding smash and grab burglaries.

We are looking for anyone with information regarding to the smash and grab burglaries that have been occurring to small businesses, in Lake, Cook, Racine and Kenosha

Counties. The unknown offenders are breaking a window out of the business, entering the business and taking the entire cash register to a separate location breaking it open and then taking the cash. There have been numerous burglaries in all counties mentioned and multiple jurisdictions have ongoing investigations.

If you have any information about these crimes or any other felony crimes of felony fugitives, contact Crime Stoppers at 847-662-2222.

If your information leads to an arrest you could be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

directed the college administration to negotiate with a new consulting firm to assist with the presidential search. Griffin said that he expects these negotiations to be concluded quickly and that the new search could begin within several weeks.

Members of the search committee composed of college and community representatives will be asked to participate in the new search, Griffin said.

"We deeply appreciate the commitment and hard work of the search committee members and hope they will be willing to continue to work with us," he said.

"Selecting a president is the most important decision that the board makes, and it is one that should not be rushed," Griffin said.

"We want to do everything possible to make sure that we make a decision that is in the best interests of the college and the community."



Naff: Three months left in term at college.



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720 N. Milwaukee Ave., Gurnee
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\$35.00

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Wednesday, April 13, 2005
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CLC's president search continues

The College of Lake County board of trustees has announced that it will re-open the presidential search to find a successor for outgoing President Gretchen J. Naff, who will retire June 30.

The board reached its decision after completing interviews with four finalists recommended by members of a search committee composed of representatives from the college and the community.

"The search committee did an excellent job, and all four of the candidates had many strengths," said Board Chairman William M. Griffin.

"After much careful consideration, the board reached agreement on one of the candidates, but, unfortunately, we were unable to negotiate a mutually satisfactory contract. Consequently, we believe it is in the best interests of the college to re-open our search for a new president," Griffin said.

To begin the new process, the board has

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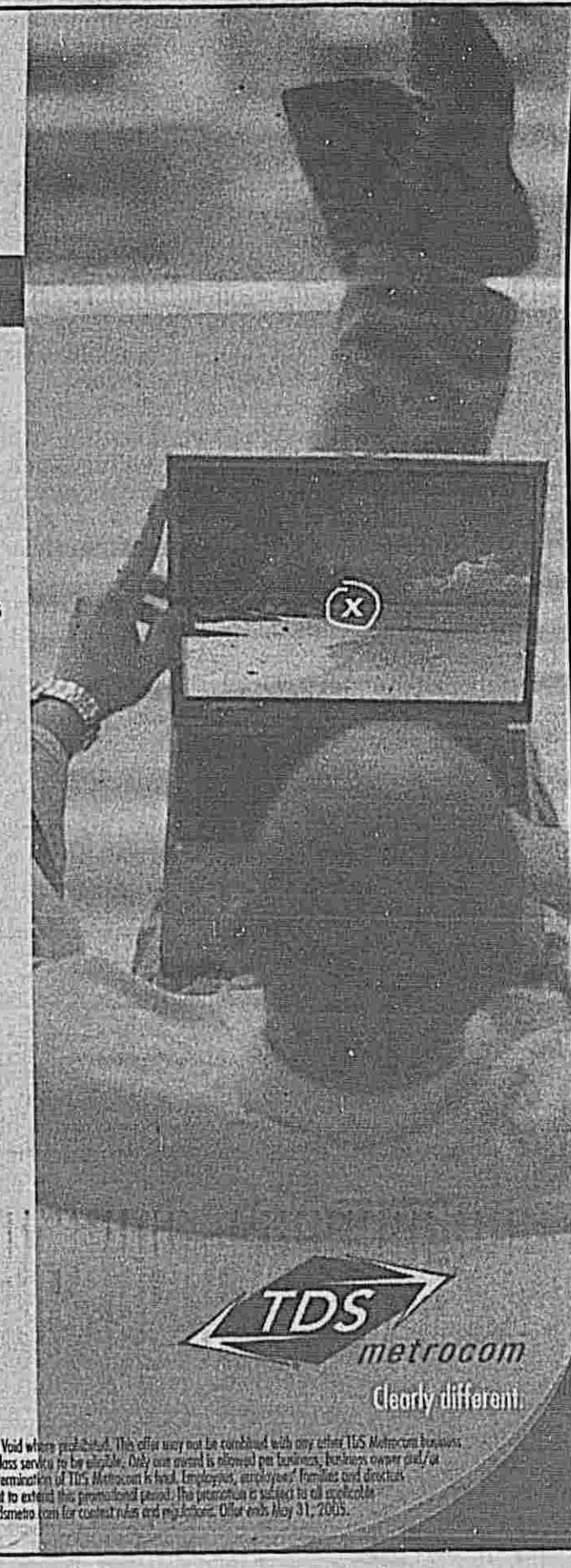
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A case study: A private club called 'government'

If we dared to think the days of political deals in smoke-filled back rooms were over, we were mistaken. If we dared to think the days of government run by "good old boys" were behind us, we were mistaken. If we thought this is a malady that affects only "big" government, in Washington, Springfield or Chicago, we were mistaken.

For example, in Lake Villa, a 100-year-old village, it has been business as usual for a long time.

In a town where the volunteer fire department has a bar in the basement, and there are "social members" of the fire department, the club atmosphere is so institutionalized that members of the board of trustees tend to think of themselves as a closed society. The board feels justified in making decisions outside the view of the public, and then presenting them as a fait accompli.

Last week, after a Lakeland Media reporter forced the issue by exposing it, board members finally voted to do what the law requires: they agreed to review executive session minutes and release all those not requiring confidentiality.

Just the day before, Robert Raukohl, one of the trustees declared that executive sessions are "the private business of the board."

In this state-and any other-there is no such thing as "private business" for public officials. In legal decisions, the state has upheld the concept that deliberations as well as actions by public bodies are, indeed, public business.

The sole purpose of the privilege-not right, but privilege-of executive sessions is to allow limited confidentiality on specific items: land acquisition, imminent or pending litigation and personnel.

This does not mean the board has carte blanche to exclude anything that vaguely meets the criteria, nor to keep those deliberations secret forever.

Personnel issues, if not involving illegal acts, may be the only area where regard for personal privacy might legitimate continued confidentiality.

Land transactions that have been complete and no longer in the delicate process of negotiation do not require confidentiality.

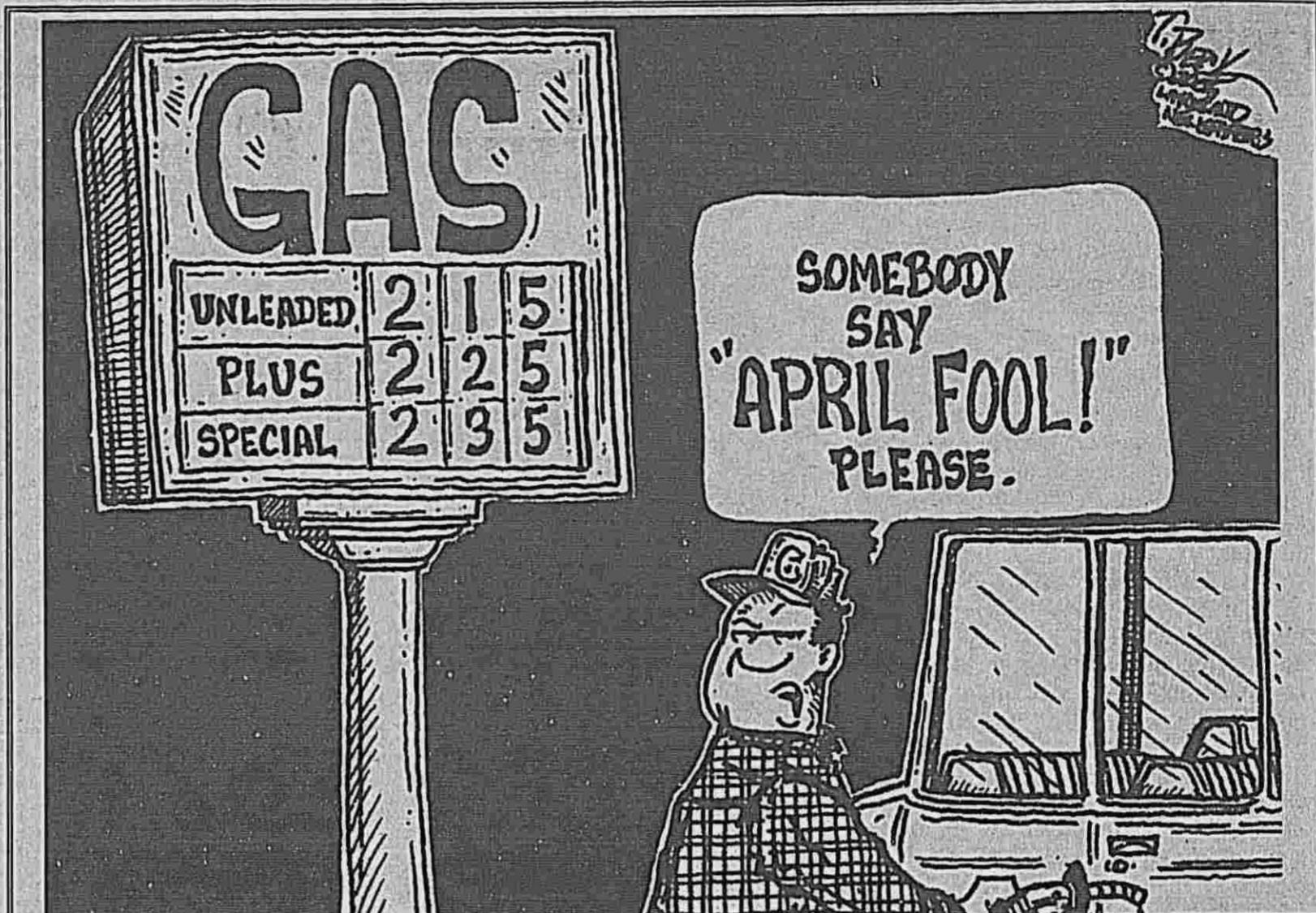
As for lawsuits, it is the right of the people to know when and why their government officials are being sued.

The suit itself is public record, so what justification would there be for a village not revealing that a suit is pending? While it is prudent to conceal one's hand in designing legal strategy, again, once revealed in court, why not reveal it through minutes that, in theory, should detail deliberations leading to the decision?

Lake Villa trustee candidate Bud Osmond referred to the open meetings issue as a "red herring," and an election issue diversion.

Although the timing of the board's decision to release executive session meetings certainly was politically motivated, the issue remains legitimate. It remains up to private citizens to call for public disclosure and accountability at all levels of government.

We call it "public office" for a reason. Those seeking membership in a private club would do better to join one at their own expense, not that of the taxpayer.



VIEWPOINT

Contractor control act gains toe-hold



Bill Schroeder

Publisher

well-meaning citizens for work never completed or ever started. The contractor fled and was found hiding out in a Racine, Wis., motel.

The Churchill bill, based broadly on the Illinois Plumbing License Law, provided for a board of review and an examination. Classroom instruction was required for applicants. For willful violations, the act provided for a \$500 fine for first offense and \$5,000 for a civil penalty. A key component of the bill was a requirement to display the state license number to advertise general contracting services.

In Illinois, general contractors are not required to be licensed. Anyone can hold themselves out as a general contractor because they rely heavily on the expertise and skills of subcontractors. Plumbers and roofers must hold state licenses. Until 10 years ago, electricians were licensed.

State Rep. Bob Churchill (R-Grayslake) attempted to remedy the lack of state oversight in the building industry by introducing a general contractors licensing act, believed to be a first in Illinois. Churchill was reacting to a spate of cases, particularly in Lake County and the North Shore, where homeowners have been defrauded by general contractors.

One erstwhile contractor rated page one coverage on the 10 o'clock news by making off with thousands of dollars paid by

legislation to take hold. Building public support is a necessary ingredient for passage into law. "It'll take time," Churchill noted.

One of the opponents of the ground-breaking licensing effort was the Springfield based Home Builders Assn. of Illinois, an industry support group with 19 sub-associations around the state that advocates ethical standards and provides marketing and public education service.

"The Churchill bill wouldn't protect consumers. It would just create a bureaucracy," stated Executive Dir. Mark Harrison.

Sympathetic to consumers victimized by dishonest and incompetent contractors, Harrison said the best protection against shoddy workmanship and outright fraud is education—knowing who will be doing the work on your home and their reputation in the market place.

Illinois has a law requiring that contractors provide prospective home repair customers with a brochure detailing consumer rights. The form provides for signatures of both the homeowner and the contractor. Above all, Harrison advised, always have a lawyer review con-

tracts. The Home Builders maintain a web site with further information at hbai.org. Phone contact can be made by calling 1-800-255-6047.

Inventive women

The newly invented purse hook, a device for mounting under tables and counters, is the brainchild of Deborah Boklund-Moran of Lake Barrington. The inverted brass hook is designed to safe-guard women's handbags in restaurants and other public places. Men can also make use of the device for getting briefcases and carrying cases off the floor or table top.

The purse hook is for anyone who believes that there is nothing new under the sun.

Susie Derrick of Lake Villa forgot to return a library book with the upshot that she created "Remind Me Tags." The new product is designed as a memory jog for busy people.

Barney ousted

A helpful reader in Mundelein has been circulating newspapers and other news outlets that letter writer "Barney Baxter" can't be found in voter records, phone records or public records available on the internet. "Barney" has surfaced in the past at election time, but not this year. Maybe because his cover has been blown.

One man's family

Looks like an all-Cubs season—for the young baseball players in the family. Grandson Tommy has joined the tee ball Cubs and his brother, John, stepping up to the majors, also will be wearing Cubbie blue for the second straight summer.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'No' on roads

The irresponsible development of Lake County by developers, the county, and villages continues, destroying the environment and quality of life. Now, these greedy ecocide promoters area asking we the taxpayers to pay for their negligence by approving the road tax referendum on April 5. I say, take a hike, and ask the developers and villages to pay for the roads before they develop.

Joseph Bogacz
Round Lake

Building a lemon

There is a Gavin School Board opposition group, CURB, that has distributed engineering reports from engineers that claim the existing roof trusses can be repaired. These reports are conspicuous by what they don't contain. Not one of the engineers who claim the wood trusses can be repaired had ever been in the Gavin Central School prior to writing their reports. They have based their conclusions on drawings of the school, not the actual installed components. I would

never take a physician's diagnosis of my health over the phone from a doctor who has not given me an actual physical exam. Why should we as taxpayers accept a diagnosis from engineers who have never physically examined Gavin Central. These engineering reports are only a smoke screen for Boller to hide behind and deflect criticism away from their failed product.

The school's engineers, on the other hand, have been, and are in Gavin Central. They have identified the deficiencies in the school and continue to find more that Boller does not want to address or fix. How do I know this information? Either I or my wife have attended school board meetings since the problems at Gavin were first brought to light. The taxpayers need to seek out truthful information. The School Board has my full support in their lawsuit against Boller Construction.

The Board has an excellent case based on the deficient roof system alone. The Gavin District Taxpayers did not receive all of what they paid for, period. This school is a lemon, if state auto lemon laws were applied, this building would have been returned to the dealership long ago.

John Sales
Ingleside

PARTYLINES

Clerk Sage retiring; Coppel can be dean

With no regrets, Libertyville Township Clerk **Faith Sage** is relinquishing her title as the township's longest serving clerk with 28 years service.

Some health issues, the stress of another campaign and the span of years in public office signaled "that it was time to step down," commented Sage, 74, who has been a fixture in township affairs and Republican activities for years.

Sage is campaigning for the return of Supervisor **Betty-Ann Moore**; **James Schuler** for town clerk, and Trustees **Frank Underbrink**, **Kathleen O'Connor**, **Terry White** and **Paul Geiselhart**.

The retiring clerk will be honored at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 21, as part of the regular monthly township meeting. Sage's last day in office will be May 15.

By her decision to step down, Sage is opening the door for Moraine Township



Sage: Popular town clerk to be honored on retirement

Neal: Remembering Bob could light spark April 5

(Highland Park) Clerk **Barbara Coppel** to become dean of the county's town clerks. Coppel can attain that distinction if she successfully withstands the challenge in the April 5 election of **Ellen Gussin**, running on a Democratic ticket, and **Constance Jarman** who's the clerk candidate on a slate running

against incumbents. Both Sage and Coppel were first elected in 1977.

Possible write-in

In the closing days of the 2005 campaign, the possibility arose of a **Bob Neal** write-in candidacy for supervisor of Newport Township, Lake County's smallest township in terms of population. **George Pavelich**, a former township trustee, is running unopposed for supervisor. Supervisor **Millie Corder** declined to run for re-election. Neal is long-time notable in Newport politics, serving terms as supervisor and trustee. He also is a former Lake County Board member and past Republican chairman of Lake County.

Backed by Betty

Grant Township Assessor **Walt Kubalanza**, in a tough re-election battle, was

buoyed with public support from his predecessor, **Betty Niemi**, recognized as one of Lake County's top assessors until her retirement five years ago. Niemi said Kubalanza "possesses all the necessary qualifications—experience, patience, integrity and ability...I am behind him 100 percent." Kubalanza is being challenged by **David J. Stone**, a deputy for the assessor of Lake Villa Township.

'Dirty' politics

Supporters of **Luther Belcher**, challenging Round Lake Park Mayor **Illa Bauer**, accused Bauer backers of running a smear campaign. They said the Bauer camp is the source of newspaper articles being circulated throughout the community about a brush with the law Belcher had sometime ago and reported by the press at that time. Belcher campaign workers referred to case as "minor."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Courts fail calls for school job inspection

There have been many letters written to the editor stating that I'm a supporter or member of CURB. Although no one ever asked me the question, let me tell you the answer - I am not a member of the CURB.

As a past school board member I'm being questioned as to why I voted to approve the bonds. I believed the administrator when told these new bonds would replace the expiring bonds with no increase to the taxpayer!

Residents are angry and questioning why the building wasn't properly inspected. When I learned that State School Code,

(approved by state statute) grants the inspection process only to the architect, I questioned it also! Why didn't the school code protect our children and our investment? So for many years, my colleagues and I have tried to change the enabling legislation to require local municipal or county inspection for schools but the courts have ruled against us. I've been angry, but now Springfield is listening. Why it took so many years and this crisis to protect our children is unacceptable to all of us.

I remember the day the community came together and passed a referendum to build a new Gavin Central. At the

groundbreaking, children ran around the open field and parents had pride on their faces. These were proud moments in this community. Our children should be spending their day where they belong - at Gavin Central - and the sooner the better. The facts are: our school isn't safe to educate our children; our warm community is divided; friendships are being destroyed and people can't sell their homes.

Instead of picking sides, let's all support our children.

Bonnie Thomson Carter
Lake County Board District #5

Tax dollar saver

Joe Munson, a lifelong resident of Wauconda, is a candidate for Wauconda Township Highway Commissioner.

I've known Joe for many years. I came to know him even better during the big storm of 1979. We worked for DOT in Grayslake plowing snow day and night on two 12 hour shifts. Our territory covered an area from McHenry to Route 45 and Wisconsin to Lake Cook Road. The engineer at the yard, Bob Dryer, found out that Joe was a good truck mechanic so he was transferred to the garage and became responsible for maintaining all the equipment on the road.

In April of that year after a long and difficult season for our department, Les Bacon, chief engineer from Gurnee and Grayslake, gave Joe a commendation for his outstanding work in maintaining all the equipment on the road. If elected as highway commissioner Joe's experience and skill as a mechanic will save our township thousand of dollars in repairs.

My wife Jeanette and I are supporting the new Wauconda Township team. We hope you will too.

Howard Bleze
Wauconda

False claims

Victoria Freese, in her race for Fremont Township supervisor, claims Fremont Township does not provide services for youth and seniors. This is categorically false. Although she is running against Supervisor Pete Tekampe, I take personal offense to the implications. Why? Because myself, Township Clerk Barb Tonkery and Trustee Candidate Mike Hayek have taken time away from our families to volunteer hundreds of hours working on the township survey committee and the township program committee. On those committees we have been evaluating and exploring current youth and senior services and ways to increase those services without raising resident taxes or duplicating services available through local park district, libraries, schools and municipal governments.

Her claim that Fremont Township offers no bus service for seniors is false. The board annually approves and contributes funds for the widely used PACE Dial-a-ride program. Her claim that we have no senior or youth service committee is false. Those services and programs are explored by the program committee I chair.

Christina McCann
Fremont Township Trustee

Responsive mayor

The incumbent, Ted Mueller, has been the mayor of the Village of Hainesville for many years. He has continued in this office only because the residents have found him to be a good mayor for our community.

I have found Mayor Ted Mueller to be accessible and responsive as it relates to concerns of the village. This factor is to be valued because many times after an election is held, it is almost impossible to directly contact your elected official.

Even with a small staff and board, our community continues to grow in a positive manner. We, as villagers of Hainesville can not afford to trust an unknown to run our government. We know what we have; we do not know what we could get. I say, if its not broke, "it doesn't need fixing or replacing." See you at the polls.

Delores Chenault
Hainesville

Caring professional

We two senior citizens live in a subdivision served by Avon Township Road Commissioner Pat Anderson.

Not only have Anderson and his crew been able to consistently remove snow and ice from our particularly hilly subdivision, but our roads were repaired in a timely fashion. We cannot say enough for the professionalism of Mr. Anderson and would like to voice our support for his reelection as road commissioner.

Owen and Glenna Gillessen
Long Lake

Support openness

As we look to the upcoming April 5 election for Libertyville Township Board positions, I reflect upon what is really at stake. While not as popular as our recent presidential election, choosing the people who shape the vision of Lake County somehow seems more critical. As citizens, we have a closer contact to local politics that directly impacts us.

At this point in my life, I reflect upon the various phases through which we evolve past childhood; the defiant adolescent; the student activist; the concerned partner; the child-protecting parent; the advocate of self fulfillment; the mindful contemplator. It now becomes important to consider the legacy we leave for the future; for generations yet to come. While nature's most precious gifts (air, water, earth) have been disrespectfully abused I want to believe it is possible to reclaim, restore and

rejuvenate what is left of our precious yet rapidly diminishing land.

With a focus to the future, I strongly urge township citizens to review the accomplishments of the fiscally responsible Libertyville Township Team's commitment to open space and cast a vote for Betty-Ann Moore, James G. Schuler, Frank K. Underbrink, Kathleen M. O'Connor, Terry A. White and Paul Geiselhart on April 5.

Jan Kirch
Libertyville

Man with plan

On April 5, I'm voting to reelect Tim Perry for mayor of Grayslake and I invite you to join me. Why? Because he is a no-nonsense, solid businessman and leader for our community.

Four years ago Tim presented a plan to tackle tax base, traffic, and other projects benefiting the whole town. He took office, rolled up his sleeves and got to work. Four years later, we have seen impressive progress in all those areas: The central range is approved, we have gained a second fire station, a hotel that will break ground soon, road improvements, over \$80 million in commercial projects completed, and the list goes on.

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Lou Frank
Grayslake

For Mittleman

I read with interest a recent letter lamenting that many residents of the Village of Libertyville "do not realize" that they also live in Libertyville Township, and that this "may be true" of residents of certain parts of Mundelein and Vernon Hills. This truly is unfortunate, and it is important that we understand the reason why.

The current Libertyville Township Board makes almost no effort to communicate with its residents. It does not publish a newsletter, and the supervisor and board members do not reach out to the local governments within their jurisdiction to partner in providing services to residents.

Rick Mittelman and the United Libertyville Township Party recognize this, and have pledged to both communicate with residents and partner with other local governments. In addition, the United Libertyville Township party fully supports preservation of

the Township Open Space Program. All the candidates are active users of the trails, and thoroughly enjoy the open space properties. Rick Mittelman is an avid outdoorsman, runner and supporter of the environment. He is a member of the Liberty Prairie Conservancy, which partners with Libertyville Township in preserving and maintaining the township's open spaces. If elected Township supervisor, Rick and his slate will continue to preserve our open spaces.

Robert Pirruccello
Libertyville

Support road improvements

The upcoming Traffic Relief Referendum to support the Lake County Road Improvement Plan, if approved, would provide critical improvements to Lake County's transportation infrastructure (36 miles of road widening, 33 intersection improvements and 109 synchronized traffic signals). The referendum would also provide the people of Lake County better access to urgent medical care.

The proposed traffic improvements would result in tangible improvements to Condell Medical Center's ability to provide treatment to patients. Most notably, improved traffic flows would result in improved emergency response times. This includes ambulance response time to the scene of the emergency, the amount of time for an ambulance or patient to travel to the hospital and a physician's ability to get to the hospital quickly. As the leading heart care hospital in Lake County, we know how crucial time can be for cardiac patients, as well as their families. The phrase "time is muscle" refers to the amount of heart muscle lost as treatment is delayed.

Additionally, a better roadway system would mean reduced commute times for our staff and doctors. For the citizens of Lake County, it means that hospitals would find it easier to retain and recruit employees. Obviously, patients would continue to benefit from our ability to retain the best possible staff and medical experts.

As part of the health care industry, we are further encouraged by the fact that pharmaceuticals (along with food) will not be subject to the increase in the sales tax.

For these reasons and others, Condell Medical Center and its network of outreach facilities is in support of the Traffic Relief Referendum and the improvements it would bring to people in Lake County.

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Homeowners association first to ban type of lawn fertilizer

The Countryside Lake Association imposed a ban on lawn and garden fertilizer containing phosphorus. The Association, in unincorporated Mundelein, is the first to follow the Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center's recommendation for lake communities to stop use of fertilizer containing phosphorus, the primary nutrient that turns lakes green with algae.

"We are also recommending to homeowners in other lake communities to only use phosphorus-free fertilizer unless a soil test stipulates that it is needed," said Mark Pfister, an aquatic biologist with the Health Department's Lakes Management Unit. "Phosphorus drives the growth of algae in lakes. Excessive amounts of algae are not only unattractive, but can lower oxygen levels, reduce water clarity, and have negative effects on fish and other aquatic organisms."

Pfister said that while phosphorus is commonly found in fertilizer, it is generally only necessary for establishing new lawns. "Phosphorus makes roots grow," said Pfister. "It doesn't make the grass green. Most soil in Lake County already has an adequate amount of phosphorus to grow a healthy lawn."

Homeowners purchasing bags of fertilizer should look for a string of three numbers on the bag. The middle number indicates phosphorus content and should read "0." Additionally, homeowners who use a lawn care service should request phosphorus-free lawn fertilizers.

Soil testing labs can be located through the University of Illinois Extension Web site: www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/soiltest.

VICTORIA Freese FOR SUPERVISOR

A picture is worth 1,000 words¹

¹Mundelein news March 25-31, 2005

Political sign theft captured on film²

²The News Sun March 18th, 2005

In the early morning hours of March 10th this sign was stolen from candidate Victoria Freese's front yard. At the same time many other signs were also stolen from private properties around the Township.



When asked about this incident her opponent said, "Maybe they decided, 'If she can put them up, we can take them down'"²

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OBITUARIES

Gary J. Akins, Sr.

 Age 59 of Lake Villa passed away Monday, March 28, 2005 at Pebble Brook Nursing and Rehab Center, Lake Bluff. He was born in Kenosha, Wis., the son of Jack and Fern (Johnson) Akins. He served in the US Army during the Vietnam era and had been working as an assembler at OMC in Waukegan. On Aug 26, 1972 he married Sandra Andersen in Waukegan.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra; a son, Walter Akins of Lake Villa and a daughter, Crystal Akins of Genoa City, Wis.; his mother, Fern Akins of Zion, one grandson; two brothers; two sisters; and his nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his father and one son, Gary, Jr.

A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, April 1, at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, 1055 Main St. (Rte 83). Interment of cremains will be private in Millburn Cemetery, Old Mill Creek. The memorial visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m., April 1.

George 'Butch' Williams,

A 64-year-old Hainesville resident, passed away at his home on Friday, March 25, 2005. He was born in Chicago to George and Marie Williams (nee Brendal). He dedicated his skill and craftsmanship in flooring to Ray & Sons for many years. Butch eventually went on to start his own flooring business, G & J Flooring.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Josephine Williams (nee Christey); his children; John (Sheila) Williams of Burlington, Wis., Jeff (Ellie) Williams of Arlington Heights, Cathy (Mike) Neuman of Hainesville, and a "Papa" who will be deeply missed by his six adoring grandchildren; his sisters; many nieces and nephews, and his brothers-in-law; His aunt, his uncle, and aforementioned parents predece him in death.

Friends of the family may visit on Saturday, April 2, from noon -1 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, 410 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake. The memorial service will immediately follow, at 1 p.m., also at the funeral chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Rd., Suite 146, Des Plaines, IL 60018-4110 or www.abta.org.

Carl F. Cizek

 Age 86 of Libertyville, passed away Friday, March 25, 2005 at his home. Carl was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, having served in the European Theatre during WWII and was employed in the Food Service Division of the Naval Supply Depot at Great Lakes from 1945-73. He was a

member of the Libertyville-Mundelein Historical Society and had been a caretaker of the Cook Mansion.

Carl is survived by many friends, including his dear friends and neighbors, Joe and Sherry Tucci of Libertyville; Joey and Lynnette Tucci and children; Allen and Judy Tucci and their children; Nick Tucci and Michelle Sharon and son; Donnie and Vickie Tucci and children; Stephanie and Geoffrey Trudeau and children. He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Rose Cizek and by a sister with whom he made his home for most of his life, Helen Cizek on Jan. 30, 1999.

Funeral Service was held at 10:30 a.m., March 30 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. Interment with full military honors by the Libertyville VFW Post followed at Lakeside Cemetery. Visitation was from 5-7 p.m. on March 29. Memorial contributions can be made to the Historical Society in Carl's memory.

Violet June Sundin

Age 88 of Fox Lake, died on Saturday, March 26, 2005 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born to Worth and Elsie (nee Alstrom) Wallace in Chicago. Violet was a member of the Lake County Homemakers Assn. and member of the "Quilting Queens."

She is survived by her sons, Eric E. (Judith) Sundin of Gurnee and Dennis (Julie) Sundin of Hawthorn Woods; and her grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents and by her husband, Eric N. Sundin in 2001.

Friends are invited to attend a Memorial Service for Violet on Saturday, April 2 at 1 p.m. at K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd., Fox Lake (one block west of Route 12, 1/2 block north of Grand Avenue). Friends are invited to attend from 12:30 p.m. through services. Pastor Eugene Carter of the Ingleside United Methodist Church will officiate. Interment is private.

Stella Schiavi

Age 87 of Long Grove, passed away Wednesday, March 23, 2005 at the Winchester House in Libertyville.

Surviving are seven children, Robert (Roni) Schiavi and Charles (Joan) Schiavi, both of Las Vegas, Beverly (Joseph) Jezowski of Long Grove, Sharon (Bill) Howard of Bensenville, Donald (Dixie) Schiavi of Anchorage, Alaska, Ronald Schiavi of Winthrop Harbor and Eric Schiavi of Waukegan; 19 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and a sister. She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Angeline Kawacz; by her husband, Edigio "Jiggs" Schiavi on July 1, 1979; by her daughter, Maxine Hilger; four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral Service was held at noon, March 25 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville with the Rev. Fr. John Finnegan officiating. Interment followed at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. Visitation was from 10 a.m. until the time of services on March 25.

Grace T. Clausen

Age 92 of Libertyville, passed away Tuesday, March 22, 2005 at her home.

Surviving are two daughters, Sandra Riggio of Azusa, Calif. and Marilyn (Arthur) Struss of Libertyville; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Fred C. Clausen in 1975 and by two brothers and two sisters.

Visitation was from 10 a.m., March 29 until the time of service at noon, at the Grace Lutheran Church in Libertyville. Interment was on March 30 for the family. Memorial contributions to the church would be appreciated. Arrangements were handled by the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville.

James R. Nelson

 Age 81 of Ottawa, formerly of Antioch, died Sunday morning, March 27 at the Community Hospital of Ottawa.

Private services will be held at a later date with burial in Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago. Arrangements were handled by the Mueller Funeral Home in Ottawa.

Mr. Nelson was born on Feb. 18, 1924 in Chicago to Robert James and Francis Anna (Kurtz) Nelson. He was a retired plumber and pipefitter. He was a Navy veteran serving in WWII in Greenland.

He is survived by three sons, Kenneth of Waukegan, Douglas (Maureen) of Ottawa and James (Denise) of Marriottsville, MD; four grandchildren, Stephanie, Amber, Eric, and Shannon Nelson; two sisters, Irene Giebelhaus of Antioch and Jeannine Panza of Los Angeles. He is preceded in death by his parents. Memorials may be directed to the donor's choice.

Carol J. Vasey

Age 67 of Lake Villa, passed away on Saturday, March 26, 2005 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born in Chicago, the daughter of the late Albert and Ethel Behning. She was a retired employee of Alendale School with 27 years of service.

She is survived by her children, Keith J. Blake of Kentucky, Karen Brady of Illinois and Cindy (Stanley Brunkins) Braski of Mundelein; also surviving are 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She is preceded

in death by her daughter, Lori Lee Kieffer; three brothers and two sisters. Funeral Services were private. Arrangements were handled by the Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa.

Albert J. 'Jack' Berry

 Age 80 of Libertyville, passed away Friday, March 25, 2005 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. Jack served with the U.S. Army in the Pacific Theatre during WWII and was a member of the VFW Post 4308 in Lake Villa. He retired as chief of police in River Forest.

Surviving are his wife, Adeline; one daughter, Susan Berry of Deerfield and his brother. He is preceded in death by his mother, Sarah (nee Oldfield) Berry and father Albert Berry.

Visitation was from 5-8 p.m., March 29 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. A graveside service was held at 11 a.m. March 30 at the Arrowhead Cemetery in Vernon Hills.

Elizabeth W. Polejewski

Age 85 of Round Lake Beach, passed away Friday, March 25, 2005 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born in Chicago to George and Minni (Staack) Vandre. On July 25, 1942, she married Edward Polejewski Sr. at St. Phillipus Church in Chicago. She was a nurse's aide at Victory Hospital in Waukegan for 24 years.

Survivors include four children, Edward "Bud" (Jessica) Polejewski Jr. of Round Lake, Phyllis Creek of Mesa, Ariz., Larry Polejewski of Round Lake Beach and Karen (Michael) Taylor of Trevor, Wis.; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and three sisters. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Edward Polejewski Sr. on June 30, 1999; her son-in-law; an infant daughter, Connie Polejewski; two brothers and two sisters.

The visitation was from 4-8 p.m., March 31 at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home. The funeral service was at 10 a.m. April 1 at the funeral home with the Rev. Lisle Kauffman of Calvary Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment was at Avon Centre Cemetery in Grayslake. For those wishing to send a remembrance, the family suggests a memorial tribute in her name to the American Heart Association or the American Lung Association.

Lois Marie Donovan

Age 69 of Spring Grove, died Friday, March 25, 2005 at Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry. She was born in Walnut Ridge, Ark. to William and Emma (Heathscott) Gray. On April 9, 1980, she married Richard A. Donovan.

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Survivors include her husband, Richard; nine children, Clara (Russell) Sexton of McHenry, Wesley May of Marble Hills, Mo., Sandy (Richard) Schultz of Fox Lake, Bill (Susan) May of Round Lake, Jerry (Tina) May of Round Lake, Sam May of McHenry, Deja Witz of Island Lake, Jamie Watkins of Fox Lake, Emma Kay (Clay) Bilstein of Arlington Heights; 28 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; two sisters; and two brothers. She is preceded in death by her parents; two grandsons; two brothers and a sister.

The visitation was from 4-8 p.m., March 28 at the George R. Justen and Son Funeral Home in McHenry. The funeral service was at 11 a.m., March 29 at the funeral home with the Rev. Lisle Kauffman officiating. Interment was in Woodland Cemetery in McHenry.

Kenneth C. Jones

Age 76 of Lindenhurst, passed away on Monday, March 21, 2005 at Good Shepherd Hospital at Barrington. He was born in Goshen, Ind., the son of the late Lester and Dessie (nee Pruitt) Jones. On Feb. 3, 1951, he married his wife, Theresa.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Theresa; his daughters, Kathleen Bohlman of Antioch, Deborah West of Lindenhurst and Terri Jones of Buffalo Grove; his grandchildren and his great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, and a brother.

Funeral Services began at 10 a.m., March 25 at Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa. Interment was at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Visitation was at the funeral home on March 24, from 4-8 p.m. and March 25 from 9 a.m. until the time of service.

Delores E. Taylor

Age 87 of Lindenhurst, passed away on Friday, Jan. 7, 2005 at the Victory Lakes Continuing Care Center in Lindenhurst. She was born in Guttenburg, Iowa on April 20, 1917, the daughter of the late Robert and Elsie (nee Helden) Wolter.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Oscar; her son, Jeffrey, of Random Lake, Wis. and two brothers. She is preceded in death by her sister, Lorraine Madison and a brother.

Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, April 20 at Victory Lakes Continuing Care Center, 1055 E. Grand Ave., Lindenhurst. The family will visit with friends and relatives from 10:30 a.m. until the time of services. Funeral arrangements were handled by Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa.

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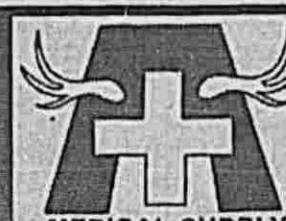
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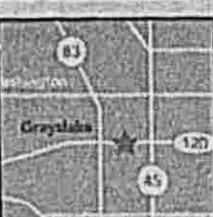
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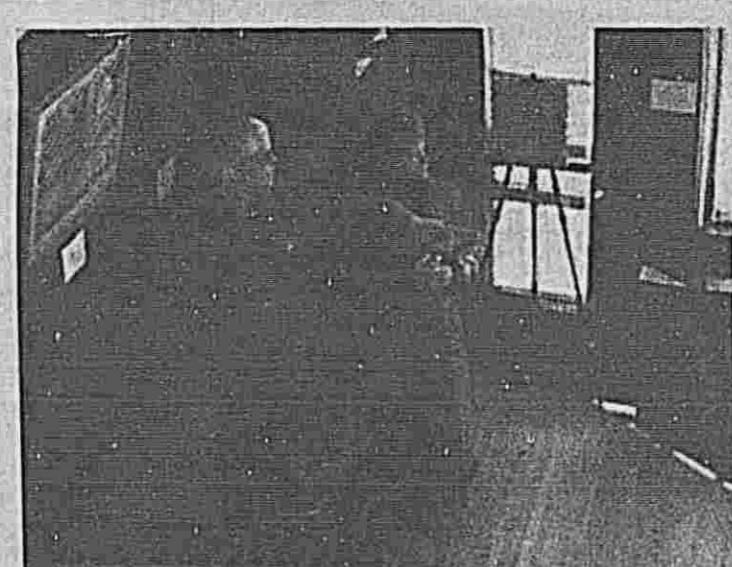
Artist Dennis M. Downes' 100th Show

WILDLY SUCCESSFUL

From an hour before the show officially opened on Thursday through its Sunday close, Mr. Downes & his three assistants, Gail, Ann & Nadean, could hardly catch their breath!



Left, Actor Michael Gorman, who has appeared on L.A. Law (NBC), ER (NBC), Beverly Hills 90210 (FOX), as well as numerous plays and guest spots. He also works behind the camera and directed the half hour documentary that was done on the Artist, Dennis M. Downes, in 2004 and aired on Cable TV recently. Robert Swanson, life long friend and owner of Highland Control. Gary Donatelli, worked as ring-side cameraman for years with Howard Cosell for the Mohammad Ali fights and for seven years he was cameraman for Monday Night Football working along side football legends. For the past ten years has been the Director of One Life To Live. James English, independent insurance broker and life long friend of the Artist.



John and Felicia Eberle, Mark Lund Charity supporters, attended the show on Sunday. Recently the Eberle's son Jack, a senior at GBN, attended a lecture given by the Artist to a group of 40 advanced art students at the Lake County Discovery Museum where the Artist's 16 foot Trail Marker Tree sculpture is on display. The Eberle's acquired the original Sedona at the show, this piece was recently used with permission of the Artist to be turned into prints to be sold to raise funds for Arts in Northbrook.



Art and Joyce Buehler. Art is President of SHORE, an organization serving developmentally disabled persons. They are shown next to the original piece, *Quilling*, they purchased on Saturday. Mr. Downes will be donating the piece being held by the ladies in the photo to the right for the next SHORE fund raising event on April 2nd.

The Show opened with Robert Bensman, CEO of The Bensman Group, braving an unexpected snowstorm, arriving an hour early and adding two large originals to his collection of Downes' works. They will be placed in the entrance and conference room along with other works by the Artist at Mr. Bensman's new corporate headquarters in Bannockburn, IL. *This set the tone for what I can only describe as the most successful and enjoyable show of my life. Surrounded by old friends and new friends and selling 10 originals, 2 bronzes and 30 framed and unframed prints. The prints ranging from several hundred dollars to originals over \$5,000. Happy (yes), Proud (yes), Thankful (yes) says Downes.*

Scot and Lori Pepper of Pepper Construction Co., Old Town School of Folk Music advocates and Past President of Looking Glass Theater in Chicago stated "we not only enjoy coming to Mr. Downes' solo shows, our children enjoy it! What we have noticed over the years is that we have a feeling of being connected to a larger extended family which we appreciate". Later that day they added two originals and a print to their collection of the Artists' works.

Carol DiLorenzo, Director of The Grove's Redfield Center, stated "The success of this year's show was phenomenal with an increase in sales of many original pieces as well as many prints. The four day show attracted hundreds of visitors from our local community as well as others who attended from around the country. They came to enjoy and purchase the beautiful paintings, bronze sculptures and tapestries. The entire show was professionally and beautifully displayed throughout the historic home."

ABC, New York, NY, Director of "One Life To Live" took time out to fly in to celebrate the 100th Show of Dennis M. Downes. Mr. Donatelli has several pieces of the Artist's work he acquired at a private show in New York in the late 90's. He added one more piece to his collection Saturday evening at The Grove Show. Donatelli remarks, "The Grove in Glenview was a perfect setting for the 100th show of Mr. Downes' work. Set back in the trees on a rustic manor, his work, which is a reflection of the nature around us, was right at home. The work reflects a knowledge and reverence for the Native Americans who were here long before the Europeans. His crafting of the frames with beads and porcupine quills, the use of natural pigments for his palette, and his knowledge of Native American symbols have resulted in some of his best work yet. Also fascinating was the display of trail marker trees and their significance. Mr. Downes has established his own genre, what I would call the Native American Contemporary Impressionist School of Art. The large crowd was a testament to the popularity of this important artist/anthropologist."



Attorney Jeff Steinback and wife Patti, President of Gainesville Pet Rescue flew in from Florida for the event. They added another original *Red Deer River* and several prints to their collection of Mr. Downes' works. The Artist has donated prints to aid in the fundraising efforts for the "Save A Pet Foundation", which Mrs. Steinback directs, and for several years has successfully contributed to the event.



The Pepper Family - Monterey, Blake, Lori, Artist Dennis Downes and Scot posing with their two originals & print purchased at the show. The Peppers have been very supportive of Mr. Downes' Trail Marker Tree research project.

Locally, Mark Van den- Heuvel, the owner of Antioch's new steakhouse, *Bacchus*, attended the show. He has several of Mr. Downes' works on display in his restaurant at 25385 W. Route 173 Antioch, IL.

A long time Antioch collector stopped by the show on Friday and purchased another original to add to his collection.

The amazing turnout from the local Antioch residents added to the excitement of the event, with many people purchasing Artist's proofs and signed prints. Again, Mr. Downes would like to thank all of the people who took the time to attend the show.

The Artist will be returning to the Northbrook area to be a featured Artist in the *Arts in Northbrook 2005 Outdoor Festival* July 9th and 10th, with over 75 Artists attending. For information contact Art Director, Pat Strong 847-272-2442.

To keep informed of Dennis M. Downes' recent accomplishments and upcoming events, go to downesstudio.net. To discuss commissions or to purchase originals or prints, contact Downes Studio at 847-395-8875.



Special thanks to my two assistants and friends, Nadean Buchholz, Ann Prochnow and husbands Brian and Greg for their help on the Trail Marker Tree research.

Antioch Fine Arts Foundation will host the works of Mr. Downes. Show opening will be Friday, June 3rd 5-9pm. Artist will be present. New prints, originals and small bronzes will be available for purchase. Gallery location: 983 Main Street, Antioch IL 847-838-2274.

BUSINESS

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By Mary Erl

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NEWBUSINESSES

Assumed business names

Caritas Alegres, 5114 Shady Lane, Mundelein, 847-949-6620. Owner: **Bartola, Rafael Mata**. Purpose: Home Daycare

Advantage Printing Services, 32918 Battershall Rd., Wildwood, 847-732-9154. Owner: **Adam Parr**. Purpose: Retail

Serenity Health Resources, 105 S. Main St., Wauconda, 847-526-4040. Owner: **Dr. Kelly Paulson**. Purpose: Chiropractor

Southern Exposure Tan Spa, 336 Peterson Rd., Libertyville, 847-367-7500. Owner: **Jim, Kim Rollins**. Purpose: Tanning Salon

Solariss Photo and Video, 330 S. Lake St., Mundelein, 847-287-8493. Owner: **Marlen Lopez**. Purpose: Multimedia Design, Photo and Video.

Precise Medical Billing Specialists, 55 Rotterdam Dr., Antioch, 847-838-6158. Owner: **Dianna Passarelli**. Purpose: Medical Billing for Doctors

Life in The Spirit, 14 Devonshire Ct., Grayslake, 847-543-4588. Owner: **Bonnie, Phill Bjerning**. Purpose: Spiritual Companioning and Retreats.

Gary Meyers Realty, 2640 Chelsey, Buffalo Grove, 224-715-5555. Owner: **Gary Meyers**. Purpose: Real Estate Brokerage

El Caporal Restaurant, 622 Washington St., Waukegan, 847-336-9239. Owner: **Gerardo Lagonas**. Purpose: Food

Rosario's Pizza and Grill, 1116 N. Cedar Lake Rd., Round Lake Beach, 847-546-0304. Owner: **Linda Lee**. Purpose: Restaurant with delivery, pick-up and dine in services.

A New Bloom, 31074 N. Darrell Rd., McHenry, 847-372-0242. Owner: **Joyce A. Konstantinow**. Purpose: Design consultant for interiors

Solo Construction, 203 S. Maple Ave., Wauconda, 847-778-4189. Owner: **Jose Cornejo**. Purpose: Installation of retaining walls/pavers.

FASTTRACK

Career Quest day

Explore the hot careers of tomorrow at "Career Quest," a career-exploration evening sponsored by College of Lake County from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on April 6 on the Grayslake campus. The event will offer participants an opportunity to learn more about the current job market and career preparation programs offered at the college.

Included in the evening's activities will be more than 40 hands-on activities involving computer animation, electronics, engineering, chemistry, mathematics, biology and more. For more information, call 847-543-2094.

Women in Business to host fashion show

The Blue Ribbon Committee, composed of Women in Business from the Lake County Area and Kids Hope United staff, is inviting the public come out and support Designs for Hope—the 2nd Annual Blue Ribbon Fashion Show on April 10 from 2-5 p.m. at Maravelas in Fox Lake. In recognition of the National Child Abuse Prevention movement celebrated in April, we will be hosting the event to raise awareness and critical funds for the child abuse prevention programs of Kids Hope United. The cost of the ticket is \$50.

Beginning right at 2 p.m., guests will hear Congresswoman Melissa Bean talk about child abuse prevention and a Kids Hope United client speak from her own experience about prevention efforts.

From 3-4 p.m., guests will be invited to shop at the vendor tables and sign up for wonderful Silent Auction items. The auction items are plentiful and will include everything from fitness memberships to restaurant gift certificates to Cubs tickets and Southwest Airline tickets.

From 4-5 spring fashions from Dress Barn, Geoffrey Beene, IZOD, and Van Heusen will be modeled by Lake County influencers such as Barbara Richardson, Jim Oberweis, Willard Helander, Kathy Ryg, JoAnn Osmond, Bruce Johnson, Jimmie Smith, Mary Ellen Vanderventer, Judge Mary Schostak, Rob Frank, Judge John Phillips, Kahdijah Hakeem and more. For more information, call Pam Blowers at 847-245-6560.

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TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION

The Gavin Fee Party

In the 1700's, Britain oppressed the American colonists with outrageous taxes. The Sugar Act. The Stamp Act. The Townshend Acts. The Tea Act of 1773 was the last straw. Britain's East India Company was on the verge of bankruptcy. So is the Gavin School District...because of bad financial decision making:

- Sold North School at 25% of its value
- Voted to demolish the easily repairable Central School, which the district will still have to pay for
- Issued taxes without voter approval

The British Parliament used a dastardly method to keep the company from going bankrupt: they jacked up the American colonists' taxes. That's just what the Gavin board wants to do to this community. But it's not tea we'll be paying for...it's fees: lawyers' fees, consultant fees, construction fees...and it's \$7,000,000 in new taxes, \$560,000 in levies over 7 years, \$686,000 in relocation costs...all for a new school that doesn't need to be built.

1,100 Taxpayers

In Gavin District

Signed a Petition to Add a Question to the Ballot

1,100 Taxpayers

That's More Than One Third
of the Voters

The Gavin School Board Obtained a Court Order to Overrule the Petition

1,100 Taxpayers

The Gavin School
Board Ignored All of Them

Back to colonial America. The colonists rebelled against their oppressors by throwing tea into Boston Harbor. **Gavin taxpayers rebelled too; they rejected two referenda to build a new school.** Then, 1,100 taxpayers signed a petition to add a question to the ballot. It would ask voters if they wanted to accept the contractor's offer to bring Gavin Central up to code **AT NO COST** to the district.

Paid for by Citizens for a Change

The Intolerable Acts

The British Parliament was infuriated. "We must master them," said King George III. Parliament took steps to frighten the colonists. The colonists called these the "Intolerable Acts." **The Gavin school board has committed a few of its own intolerable acts to "master" taxpayers and get that new school:**

- Obtained a court order to reject the request of 1,100 taxpayers to put a question on the ballot
- Cut education opportunities by proposing a split shift (when rented portable classrooms would have cheaply eliminated the need for split shifts)
- Had children bussed all over the county (also avoidable with rented portable classrooms)
- Exaggerated structural condition of Gavin Central in press releases
- Rejected 7 offers by the contractor to repair the school at no cost to the district
- Rejected potential buyer's offer to purchase and save Gavin Central for use by other students from the district
- Made a media event about the school's safety
- Passed out unsigned "shock docs" (documents to cause panic) with incorrect information at local bowling alley
- Sent panic notices home with children

Parliament closed the port of Boston until colonists paid. Similarly, the **Gavin board closed Central to force the community to pay. Just like Parliament, the present board of education wants the taxpayers to pay. This time, it's for a new school.** The contractor could have had the students back in Central a year ago.

Overboard!

In April, we have a chance to overcome this "taxation without representation." The only way to do that is to throw the board members overboard and replace them with "3 M's and a J".

**Barbara A. Mende
Stephen F. Moulis
Philip Joseph Mack
Kristine L. Johnson**

If we throw all the oppressors overboard, "3 M's and a J" will steer the ship in the right direction. That means listening to – and not "mastering" – the taxpayers. Bad governance demands change.

**ALL FOUR CANDIDATES MUST BE ELECTED
TO OVERCOME THE OPPRESSION.**

WHAT DO THE TAXPAYERS WANT?

Not a Question the Current Board Cares About

Do the taxpayers want to spend their money on a new school? To the current board, the answer to that question does not matter.

In December, 2004, 1,100 taxpayers signed a petition. It called for adding a ballot question that asked whether Gavin Central should be repaired "at no cost to School District No. 37 or its taxpayers."

PETITION TO BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR GAVIN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 37

"We, the undersigned, residents of Lake County, Illinois, hereby petition the Board of Education for the Gavin School District No. 37 in Lake County, Illinois, to take the following action and submit this referendum by emergency special referendum or at the next scheduled election:

- (1) To immediately stop and prevent plans to demolish Gavin Central School;
- (2) To immediately initiate and undertake necessary structural and other repairs to the existing Gavin Central School to bring it into compliance with applicable safety codes by granting [the contractor and architect] and subcontractors access to the Gavin Central School to complete all necessary repairs at no cost to School District No. 37 or its taxpayers;
- (3) To re-open and allow use of the existing Gavin Central School upon completion of the repairs;
- (4) To maintain fiscal responsibility by opposing the proposed construction of a new school to replace the existing Gavin Central School and by opposing proposed tax increases for such unnecessary new school construction."

1,100 taxpayers signed this document. It proposed adding a ballot question to ask voters if they wanted Gavin Central fixed at no cost. It proposed maintaining "fiscal responsibility." The board went to court to avoid listening to these taxpayers. The board made sure that the question did not appear on the ballot.

Instead of listening to the taxpayers, the board went to court. The board members went to court so they could overrule the taxpayers.

The court's ruling gave the board the power to keep the question off the ballot...and the power to ignore the 1,100 taxpayers who requested it. 1,100 – that's one-third of the voting taxpayers.

How can we trust a board that ignores taxpayers? Is this democracy? Or is this a dictatorship?

What the Board Wants: Stardom

Since the Gavin Central School demolition debate surfaced, a court order has made district communication records available to the public at 20 N. Clark Street, Suite 300 in Chicago.

On February 23, 2004, district Superintendent Dr. Marge Fostiak e-mailed the board's architect from her home about pictures of a cracked truss at Gavin Central School. "We're going to go public...I am notifying the press," she wrote, "and it will make local television news in short order."

Fostiak also revealed where her (and the board's) priorities lie in her closing statement to the architect: "Welcome to stardom!" This statement implies Fostiak's and the board's goal from square one: to manipulate the taxpayers into voting "yes" for a "larger" new school. How would they achieve this goal? By sensationalizing an easily remedied problem.

Not only would Fostiak become a local celebrity if she took advantage of the situation (her name would constantly be in the newspapers), but she would also cover up the board's poor planning (selling North School for a fraction of its value).

During their pursuit of "stardom," Fostiak and the board exaggerated the true magnitude of the problem at Central; they enlisted the aid of Daily Herald writer Lee Filas, whom Fostiak met when she was on the Bartlett Village Board. Filas kept her and the board in the Daily Herald every time a new wrinkle came about.

"You may want to read the Daily Herald over the weekend," states Fostiak in a February 26, 2004 letter to parents. "We are working with the news media." On March 6, 2004, Diane Hanson sent Fostiak a memo advising her to "really talk up the Herald as our district's newspaper." Again, in a March 14 memo to Fostiak, Diane Hanson states her feelings about how well the Daily Herald is reporting news for the district.

The path to "stardom" has come to include exploiting an easily- and quickly-remedied problem...and manipulating the Gavin community. "Welcome to stardom" indicates that from the moment a cracked truss was discovered, Fostiak and her board hoped to build a new, "larger" school at any cost...including using a few broken trusses as a scapegoat. By tearing down a perfectly viable district asset, they would remain in the news for at least the next 3 to 4 years.

With no money to build a new school, the board continues to apply for a demolition permit as of Monday, March 21. On March 22, the board hired a demolition contractor, who will be paid for by money that the district does not have. With less than 2 weeks prior to the elections, the 4 incumbent board members continue to show how deceptive their actions are.

Sadly, the issue over 14 (yes, 14...not 56) failed trusses has failed to promote public trust in Fostiak and the board. It is not "stardom" they deserve, but infamy.

No Matter Which Way You Shred It, Current School Board is Hiding Something

On February 16, 2005, school board attorney Robert E. Swain sent an e-mail, which was made public. The e-mail had one line bolded:

"You need to destroy any copies of the manual with the blue cover that you might have in your possession."

Destruction of documents has a purpose: to cover something up. This e-mail shows that the current Gavin board members – public officials – are hiding something from the public. What are these board members covering up? And how can we trust them to make decisions with our children and our money?

This board has a singular focus. It's not the children, nor is it the taxpayers. Rather, the one thing this board wants is the "stardom" that comes with a new school. And it will use any means necessary to get that school, including chopping educational opportunities and dictating how taxpayers spend their money.

Vote "3 M's and a J"

Ignoring of taxpayers and children. Celebrity seeking. Concealing information. There is only one way to stop the existing board members: totally replace them. Vote for 3 M's and a J":

**Barbara A. Mende
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Things will change with "3 M's and a J":

- They will lead a community survey to find out what the taxpayers truly do want.
- They will pursue opportunities for children and taxpayers alike...not stardom.
- They will share with...not hide from...the public.

REMEMBER, ALL FOUR CANDIDATES MUST BE ELECTED TO OVERCOME THE OPPRESSION.

7-DAY WEATHER

Day/Date	FRI • 1	SAT • 2	SUN • 3	MON • 4	TUE • 5	WED • 6	THU • 7
H	45	59	53	50	48	48	51
L	35	37	47	41	38	37	38
Forecast	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Rain	Rain	Rain	Partly Cloudy
Record High	82 • 1987	81 • 1989	74 • 1989	83 • 1998	78 • 1963	83 • 1986	82 • 1986
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Sunrise	5:32 A.M.	5:30 A.M.	6:28 A.M.	6:27 A.M.	6:25 A.M.	6:23 A.M.	6:21 A.M.
Sunset	6:18 P.M.	7:21 P.M.	7:22 P.M.	7:23 P.M.	7:25 P.M.	7:26 P.M.	7:26 P.M.
Moonrise	1:21 A.M.	2:19 A.M.	4:06 A.M.	4:42 A.M.	5:12 A.M.	5:37 A.M.	5:59 A.M.
Moonset	9:45 A.M.	10:56 A.M.	1:13 P.M.	2:32 P.M.	3:50 P.M.	5:05 P.M.	6:19 P.M.

Source: National Weather Service

LOTTERY RESULTS

Source: www.illinoislottery.com



	Mar. 23	Mar. 24	Mar. 25	Mar. 26	Mar. 27	Mar. 28	Mar. 29
Pick 3 Midday	479	678	659	587	N/A	949	951
Pick 3 Nighttime	525	197	406	577	604	000	548
Pick 4 Midday	8900	6816	0752	1846	N/A	8000	7887
Pick 4 Nighttime	8130	9942	8916	4794	7766	2366	8167
Little Lotto	11-17-18- 26-27	12-13-16- 31-38	02-08-09- 33-37	17-19-20- 31-35	05-10-27- 30-34	09-17-24- 34-37	05-17-34- 37-39
Lotto	11-19-28- 37-41-42	No drawing	No drawing	18-23-25- 33-39-48	No drawing	No drawing	No drawing
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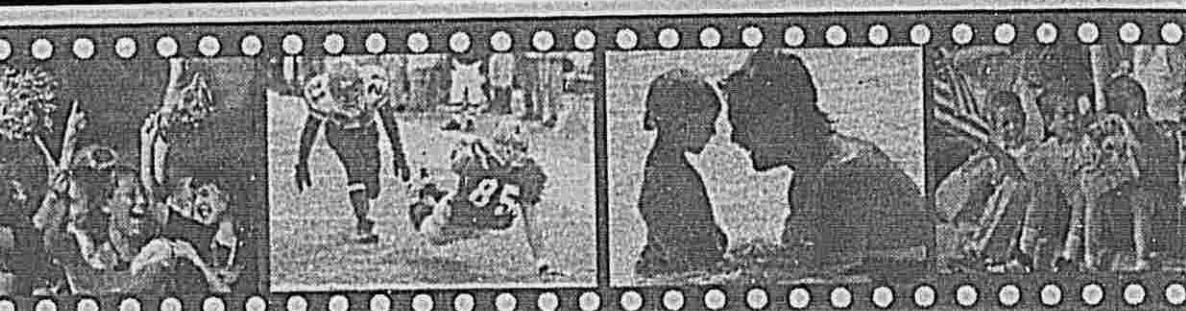
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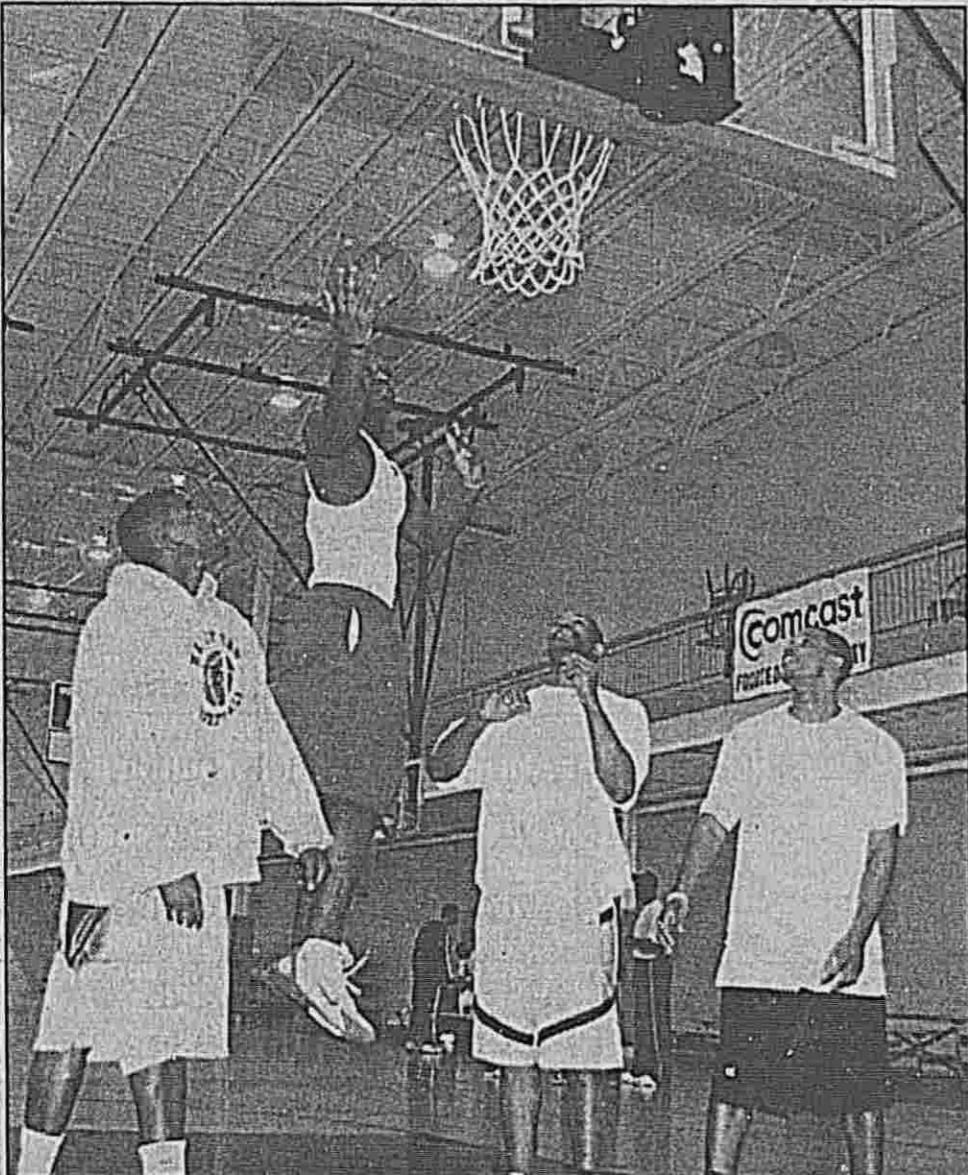
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Jerell Parker, Keith Hampton and Brandon Watkins watch as Marlon London flies through the air for the shot while warming up before try-outs with the Windy City Dawgs, part of the International Basketball League, at the Libertyville Sports Complex. The team will play their home games at Harper College in Palatine.

By Dan Patrick
Sports Reporter

Basketball has long stood as the Holy Grail for fast-paced games. As the near antithesis of baseball with its athleticism and high-flying antics, basketball's main asset is its speed. However, for the founders of the International Basketball League and the Windy City Dawgs, the game just wasn't fast enough.

The IBL itself is a new league with two rule changes that have to do with only one thing: speed. Within IBL rules, only two timeouts per half are allowed, there is a truncated 22-second shot clock and "immediate inbound." The rule is meant to eliminate downtime by forcing teams to put the ball into play immediately after the whistle is blown. The result, higher scoring and what Dawgs owner Steve Zwemke hopes: more entertainment for fans.

"With the immediate inbound rule and the lack of timeouts, the ball stays in and that translates into a much quicker game," Zwemke said. "In most of the test games, the teams were scoring in the 130's in two hours whereas a normal NBA game takes three hours."

Dawgs hopeful and former DePaul player Marlon London said the quicker game should really excite fans with numerous break-away opportunities.

"I'm looking forward to a fast-paced tempo, they tweaked the game for faster, small forward-type players," London said. "It showcases athleticism and it's exciting for the fans."

While the team will play its games in Palatine at Harper College, Zwemke has shown some

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Kelan Williams
Former Waukegan basketball player

interest in local talent. Last Saturday, the Dawgs held a tryout at the Libertyville Sports Complex. Zwemke said Libertyville provided a good setting for the tryout both because of the quality of the facility and a desire to see the level of play area athletes could provide.

"I actually played baseball up here with the MSBL (Men's Senior Baseball League), and I was familiar with the building," Zwemke said. "I also wanted to see what kind of talent Lake County had to offer. We have a number of players from Division I schools along with former ABA (American Basketball Association) and CBA (Continental Basketball Association) players."

One such area athlete came in the form of former Waukegan Bulldog Kelan Williams. Williams, a former College of Lake County and Marycrest University player, saw the Dawgs tryout as a chance to rekindle his basketball career and pro aspirations.

"I was hoping to try out and see if I can make a career out of this," Williams said. "I see this as an opportunity and I think I can

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Hoop dreams

New Dawgs basketball team hungry for success

play in this league. It's a good starter league with good players and I hope I can make the most out of this opportunity."

From a player's standpoint, the format of the league with its three-month, 22-game regular season schedule, allows athletes to continue to work toward their dreams without sacrificing their current lives and jobs.

"That's the good thing about this, because I love my job," Williams said. "I work with kids at the YMCA and I can keep a full-time job on top of this opportunity. Right now, it's a dream and I can keep up my real-life situation. If a NBDL opportunity comes from this, it'll be great."

The Dawgs begin their inaugural season at April 9 against Waterloo. For more information about the league, visit the International Basketball Leagues Web site at www.iblhoopsonline.com.



Keith Hampton goes up for a shot during a try-out with the Windy City Dawgs, part of the International Basketball League, at the Libertyville Sports Complex. The team will play their home games at Harper College in Palatine.

ON THE SIDELINES

Rob Backus • Sports Editor

This '24' also provides thrills, chills

Storming onto the scene nearly four years ago, the TV action-thriller "24" has become one of America's most critically acclaimed shows. Although viewers have been slow in catching on, I will admit that it is one of my favorite shows, and I've never missed an episode.

Each season features a day in the life of counter-terrorist agent Jack Bauer, played by Kiefer Sutherland, and has enough twists, turns and thrills to make any NASCAR fan jealous. But with apologies to Kiefer and the folks at FOX, I think there's another day that is even more action packed.

While driving to St. Louis two weeks ago, I took in ESPN Radio's Mac, Jurko and Harry show. And they posed an interesting question — What is America's best sports day?

Some people threw out Super Bowl Sunday; others talked about the Daytona 500 or the upcoming Masters Tournament. But for me the answer was simple, and the day is this Monday.

The day starts off with a bang, as ESPN's Karl Ravech, Peter Gammons and Harold Reynolds dust off their microphones and prepare for baseball's Opening Day.

That's right, this Monday hope springs eternal for all those Cubs and White Sox fans out there as the City of Chicago starts the season with a combined 185 years without a World Series title.

And if you like another team, odds are they'll be playing their first game on Monday as well.

But wait, there's more for a limited time only. Later that night, college basketball's two top teams will battle for hoops supremacy as the Final Four comes to an end. And I fully expect the Illini to tangle with UNC, creating potentially one of the best championship games of all time.

So all you football, racing or, God watch over us and protect us, golf enthusiasts out there can keep your events. As for myself, I'll be glued to the radio or TV all day, taking in my favorite "24".

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ANTIOCH



Hughes, Kent looking to step up

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

As Antioch took on Carmel in a double-header on Monday, one couldn't help but notice the contrast. Over in the Corsairs' dugout there was a veritable 25-man roster, while the Sequoits have just 12 players on their entire team.

However, the Sequoits to a man are determined not to let that get them down.

"It's a little disappointing, but we're going to do the best we can," junior shortstop Chandler Kent said. "It just means that we all have to step up."

Head coach Paul Petty agreed, saying: "We can't have just one or two guys step up and still be successful. Sure, you still need your key guys, but you also need that support staff."

Antioch does have to pretty good players to build around in Kent and senior catcher Nate Hughes. Last season, Hughes was an All-North Suburban Conference selection, while Kent made the honorable mention list. And both will be counted on to lead the Sequoits this season.

While the term "He runs like a catcher" is applicable to most high school backstops, it certainly doesn't apply to Hughes, who showcased his speed on both offense and defense for Antioch's football team the last two years.

"He brings a lot of speed to the game," Petty said of Hughes. "He does a lot of good things to get on base. He can hit, hit for power or bunt to get on. Speed levels all playing fields."

Hughes showcased his stick last season, batting .450 with 4 triples, 4 homers and 38 RBI. And he feels his hitting will be even better this season.

"Off-speed pitches really gave me trouble last year," Hughes said. "But this year I'm trying to wait back on them. Plus, teams are trying to play me as a dead-pull hitter so I want to be more of an opposite field power hitter and get the ball in the gaps."

Hughes also put in a lot of work in the off-season to improve his catching, something Petty definitely has noticed.

"He's a nice catcher and he works well back there," Petty said. "And he throws much better this year. He'll be a solid catcher for us. Plus, he's been working with our pitching coach (Terry Periman) and he's starting to get a feel of how to call a game."

"I've really tried to become a better catcher," said Hughes, who will likely make the transition to the outfield in college. "I worked a lot on my feet and my lower body. And my hand-eye coordination has gotten a lot better."

Hughes has also worked hard on becoming a leader, something the Sequoits sorely need.

"Hopefully the seniors on the team will step up and play the way we're supposed to and then the juniors will see that and step up too," Hughes said. "Then we'll start to mesh and start to become more of a family, just like football."

Also a two-sport athlete, Kent brings all-around talent to the game, switching between his natural shortstop position and



Photo by Steve Young

Antioch Community High School's Chandler Kent (left) and Nate Hughes will be counted on to lead the Sequoits this season.

'Hopefully the seniors on the team will step up and play the way we're supposed to and then the juniors will see that and step up too.'

Nate Hughes
Senior Catcher

the pitching mound.

"Chandler is a pretty complete player," Petty said. "Guys talk about five-tool players and Chandler is that. He plays a great shortstop; he has great bat control and patience. And he has good speed and good instincts on the bases."

Also, as head basketball coach Tom Duffy often said, Kent is a very smart player.

"He really knows the game," Petty said. "All I have to do is tell him something once and it's there. He's only a junior, but it seems like he's been with us a long time. This is his third year playing varsity."

Kent's approach at the plate is simple. "I just try to hit my pitch and if I get two strikes I try and shorten up my swing and make contact. But I love seeing fastballs grooved right down the middle."

Petty also praised Kent's willingness to do whatever the team needs without complaint.

"He's a real leader by example for us," Petty said. "He's the first to get a rake and the first to do a lot of things. The other kids see that and hopefully they'll follow him. He's willing to do whatever it takes to help the team."

Like Hughes, Kent also sees the need to step up and become a leader on the team.

"I need to step up; we all do," Kent said. "I'm just trying to play as hard as I can all the time."

RoundUp

Baseball

After dropping its season opener to Cary-Grove last Tuesday, Antioch also lost both games of a doubleheader to Carmel on Monday.

Brian Vos gave up 9 runs (7 earned) on 5 walks and 9 hits over three innings as the Sequoits dropped game one, 14-2. John Heneberry had 5 strikeouts in 2 innings of relief.

The Sequoits also lost game two to the Corsairs, 8-6, as Chandler Kent was touched up for 4 runs on 3 hits in the first inning. Chadd Ori gave up 2 earned runs in 6 innings of relief. Kent (1-for-5, RBI) and Nate Hughes (1-for-3, double) led Antioch (0-3) at the plate.

Softball

Antioch played well in its season debut, defeating Wheeling 4-2 last Thursday.

"Offensively, we got the bats swinging right away; identifying our pitches, taking good swings at the plate, and putting runners on base," Antioch coach Julie Sexton said. "Selina Spiller did a great job in the lead-off position by taking us deep into counts, allowing our bench to see some pitches, and getting herself on base often."

Jill Norwick had a good day at the plate as well, going 3-for-4 with an RBI double to start Antioch's scoring in the 3rd inning. Sophomores Amanda Hoban (2-for-3, walk) and Claire Seaver (2-for-4, game-winning home run) also contributed to the win.

Sophomore April Mysliwiec, picked up where she left off last season. While her opponents scattered 8 hits over 7 innings, Mysliwiec showed good control with 10 strikeouts to only 1 walk, and managed to help her own cause with a 2-for-4 effort at the plate.

Additionally, Mysliwiec's savvy baserunning in the top of the 7th inning allowed teammate Kim Schmit to score the 4th run that sealed the momentum heading into the final frame. Mysliwiec also fielded her position well, making every play that came her way, including a critical 2-out tag throw to the plate that cut down the would-be tying run in Wheeling's half of the 4th.

"Overall, I'm very pleased with our first effort," Sexton said. "We had our hiccups at times in the field and on the bases, but we stayed focused throughout, kept our minds on what we needed to focus on in each situation, and applied pressure from both sides of the ball."

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CARMEL



Battery mates look to lead Corsairs

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

After losing so much talent from last year's team that went 34-9 overall and finished third in the state, it would seem that Carmel should expect at least some level of drop-off. Gone are Brandon Ziemann, Mike Serio, Mike O'Leary, Nate Rittenberry and Bryan Dovichi, each of whom were integral players for last year's squad.

But head coach Chuck Gandolfi is convinced that this year's team could be just as good.

"Our goal is to play hard and win a state championship and just try to play as hard as we can on every pitch," Gandolfi said. "If you play it the right way, good things will happen."

That's because the Corsairs have plenty of returning talent, to go along with some fresh faces. Perhaps no two players are more important to Carmel than senior catcher Ryan Meehan and his battery mate, senior pitcher Kyle Stone.

"Any team needs strong players at catcher and pitcher," Gandolfi said. "So we're looking for those two guys to step up and provide leadership."

Carmel has had quite a lineage at the catcher position. First, there were the two McMahons, Pat and Jerry. Then there was Sean Walker, who now at Michigan State. And now Walker's replacement, Meehan, is ready to cement his name right alongside the trio.

"We've been blessed with some pretty good catchers at Carmel," Gandolfi said. "I think he's just as good as those two guys. He's a Division I talent."

In fact, Pittsburgh and several Ivy League schools are hot on Meehan's trail. But while Meehan is confident in his abilities, he feels he still has some work to do to be considered at the level of Walker and the McMahons.

"I'm not quite there yet," Meehan said. "I didn't have the best junior season hitting-wise. But I do think I'm right up there defensively."

Gandolfi definitely sees Meehan's defensive talent, saying: "He receives the ball well and he has a great release and a real strong arm."

Stone also lauded Meehan's ability behind the plate. "Having Ryan catch me is great," Stone said. "We work well together, he knows what I throw and he has a cannon for an arm."

Meehan takes pride in his defense, acknowledging that it's a big part of his game.

"I work on my defense just as much as my offense," Meehan said. "I know I have to block balls and try and throw runners out in any situation. I like to keep runners on their toes."

Although Meehan hit just .262 with a pair of home runs and 21 RBI for the Corsairs last season, Gandolfi feels he made plenty of strides over the summer to improve his hitting.

"He had some big hits for us last year, he just didn't have consistency," Gandolfi said. "But he's doing an excellent job in batting practice and he looked really good with his mechanics last summer. He has a very quick, strong swing, he just needs to keep doing it."

Unhappy with his inconsistency last season, Meehan worked hard in the off-season to improve his swing.



Photo by Steve Young

Carmel's Ryan Meehan (left) and Kyle Stone look to lead the Corsairs to their second straight state berth this season.

I know all the little things it takes to win and I'm trying to show the guys what needs to be done. I just try to work hard and lead by example.'

Ryan Meehan
Carmel Senior Catcher

"I've completely changed my swing since last year," Meehan said. "I'm trying to emphasize consistency over power. I spent tons of hours in the (batting) cage and in the gym."

Meehan also knows that he has to step up and become a leader on this year's team, as he is one of the few returning regulars.

"Having the experience from last year is key," Meehan said. "I know all the little things it takes to win and I'm trying to show the guys

what needs to be done. I just try to work hard and lead by example."

While Meehan will look to provide consistency and leadership behind the plate, senior Kyle Stone is gunning to become the ace of Carmel's pitching staff.

"Right now it's hard to tell who's No. 1, but I want to be the ace," Stone said. "Last summer, I struggled with my consistency and I worked to put it behind me."

It's hard to argue with Stone's raw talent, as he brings a mid-'80s fastball, a hard slider and an improving circle changeup.

"He has the ability to become one of the top pitchers around," Gandolfi said. "He looks nasty at times, he just needs to develop consistency."

Stone is also a good hitter, often DH'ing on days when he doesn't pitch.

"He's a strong young man and he hits the ball hard," Gandolfi said.

With these two guys in tow, Carmel appears poised for another outstanding season.

RoundUp

Baseball

Carmel got off to a fast start on the season, winning its first four games before falling to Fremd on Tuesday.

The Corsairs opened the year with a 7-4 win over Libertyville last Tuesday. Sean McCreary led Carmel with a double, a triple and 5 RBI. Kyle Stone went 3 2/3 innings for the win, while Tim Jousupait had 2 strikeouts in a 2-inning save.

Carmel also defeated Lake Forest 10-3 on Saturday. Jeff Greco blasted a fourth-inning grand slam, while Jordan Sivertsen and Ston each added doubles. Matt Dedrich had 5 K's in 4 innings to get the win.

The team dominated Antioch in a Monday doubleheader, winning game one 14-2 and game two 8-6. Jousupait threw 3 scoreless innings with 5 strikeouts to get the win in game one. Mike Morrissey went 3-for-3 with 3 runs scored and Jimmy Potempa went 2-for-2 with 3 runs to pace Carmel at the plate. Ryan Meehan had 3 RBI and Stone added two for the Corsairs.

McCreary went 3-for-3 in game two, while Sivertsen (4 1/3 innings, 2 runs, 3 hits, 4 walks, 3 K's) picked up the win. Stone added a pair of RBI.

However, lost in convincing fashion to Fremd, 8-0, on Tuesday. Stone struck out eight in a losing cause, giving up just one hit in the first five innings.

Softball

Senior Emily Perrenot threw 6 innings of shutout, 1-hit ball with 4 K's as Carmel defeated Cary-Grove in its season opener, 5-0, last Thursday. She was also 2-for-3 at the plate with a double and 2 RBI.

Junior Peggy Zizzo was 2-for-4 with a triple and 2 RBI for the Corsairs.

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GRANT

New coach, new team for Bulldogs

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

Rebuilding is something every prep sports program must go through every year with graduations robbing valuable talent from every roster. This season, the Grant Bulldogs have gone through a similar process, except this time around, the revamping of the team went full circle.

After many years under the leadership of Lee Raddatz, the Bulldogs have turned a new page. However, not everything has changed as Raddatz's top two assistants stayed on to take the reins of the program. Mike Mizwicki, who spent four years as an assistant under Raddatz now leads the team as a head coach while Casey Duval assists Mizwicki after a year with the Bulldogs. Despite the change, the coaching staff is confident Grant can make a name for itself in the new era.

"With Mike being our new head coach, things are certainly changing," Duval said. "It's different because the old coach was here for many years, but we're confident we can contend with anyone in the conference. If you are going to just look over us, then you're going to get a face full of Bulldog."

Mizwicki himself is also aware of the changes, however, he is confident that his players will not only adjust to the changes, but will prosper. For Mizwicki, execution on all sides of the ball is important if the team wants to do anything big this season.

"The players are adjusting to a new system too, especially the seniors," Mizwicki said. "We have a young team, but we'll just have to execute to be successful."

While there might be a new name on the roster for head coach, not much has truly changed for the Bulldogs as both Mizwicki and Duval are already familiar with the Grant players due to their experience as assistants.

"I think it's been a positive change because (Mizwicki) was already a major part of the Grant program as an assistant," Duval said. "We just want this program to go in a winning direction and make a name for ourselves within the conference and the state at large."

As for the players themselves, the coaching staff is happy with the progress the team has made under the new regime. While the transition has had its fair share of growing pains, the athletes are reacting well to the new coaching staff.

"They're good kids, they're good students and they're well respected within the school," Duval said. "The change has been good because everyone has been forced to work harder. The kids put in a lot of time in the weight room, they put time in the off-season and it shows because those kids are already starting to perform."

Pitcher Kyle Kapusta and catcher Eric Lostroscio have bore the brunt of Grant's duties thus far as they have moved into leadership roles on the team. While the team is still licking its wounds after a tough 8-0 loss



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Grant Community High School's baseball team competes in a non-conference match-up against Marengo on Monday. The Bulldogs lost to the Indians, 8-0.

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Mike Mizwicki
Grant Baseball Coach

against Marengo, the coaching staff believes Kapusta and Lostroscio can lead the team to better things.

"We expect Kyle to go in and be a leader for us, he's a good left-handed pitcher and we're expecting him to get some outs when we need them," Duval said. "Eric is a big hitter for us and he's a leader in the dugout. If things get out of control and we (the coaching staff) can't get them under control, we expect Kyle and Eric to help us out and take control of the team."

While this season is certainly a rebuilding year for the team, the coaching staff stops short of saying the 2005 roster is any worse than last season's team that took a share of

the conference title. What this season does bring is some optimism for the future as numerous Bulldogs will get valuable experience this season.

"I wouldn't say this year's team is better or worse, it's just a different team from last year," Duval said. "Last season, we started six or seven seniors but now we're going to start four or five juniors. Of course we're looking ahead at next year with such a young team, but for now, we still expect a lot out of the juniors. Our sophomore class also has to step up because we have four or five of them who will be playing on the varsity level this season."

This season has gotten off to a relatively rocky start, but the coaching staff believes the Bulldogs are destined for better things, both in the 2005 campaign and into the future.

"I think Grant baseball's an up-and-coming program," Duval said. "If you're a Grant student, alumni, a parent or just a fan, you should be excited about the direction the Bulldogs are headed. Last year was a bit of a disappointment because we did so well in the regular season and we couldn't do anything in the state tournament. This year and into the future, we're going to put Grant on the map."

RoundUp

Softball

The Grant Bulldogs lost a hard-fought game against the Huntley Red Raiders 4-5 Tuesday at Huntley High School. The loss drops Grant to 0-2 on the season. Despite the final score, Grant did put up a potent offensive attack. The Bulldogs were led by Amanda Alaimo and Lauren Liles who both finished the game 4-for-4 in the game. Liles added some power to her swing as two of her four hits were doubles. Kariann Hill also proved to be a potent hitter for Grant as she went 2-for-4 with one triple in the contest. Tabitha Rand also bagged a double for her only hit in the outing.

The Bulldogs actually outhit Huntley 15-6 in the loss, but were still unable to come away with the victory thanks largely to Grant's four errors while the Red Raiders did not have a single error. Grant coach Erin Notriano blamed the loss on an inability to capitalize on the team's offensive performance and the abundance of errors.

"Throwing errors cost us the game," Notriano said. "Huntley had one earned run. We left too many runners on base. With 15 hits, we should have won."

Baseball

The Grant baseball team suffered through a devastating 8-0 shutout against the Marengo Indians in the Bulldogs' season opener Monday. Grant was plagued by errors throughout the game as they gave up seven errors in the contest. Marengo took advantage of the Bulldogs errors as every Indian run was unearned except for one. The Bulldogs also had troubles in the batters box as 10 Grant players were struck out and the team only came away with four total hits in the game.

The Indians were in control of the game from the get-go as Marengo was able to rack up three runs in the first inning alone. While Grant had a tough first inning, Bulldog pitcher Kyle Kapusta was able to reign in the Indians as they did not score again until the fifth inning. Unfortunately, it was not enough as Marengo continued to tack on another five runs in the two remaining innings.

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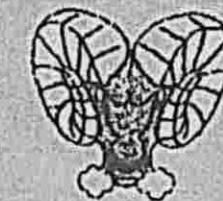
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GRAYSLAKE



Hanson's focus key to success

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

The average person might look at Grayslake senior Doug Hanson and see the typical American kid; Well-spoken, humble and generally a nice person with whom to speak. However, if you're a batter facing him, his gentle demeanor will be the last thing on your mind.

He averages in the 84 to 86 miles per hour range, and when you face him in the batter's box, you know he's all business. Despite an impressive 7-4 junior season with a 2.10 earned run average and 91 strikeouts, Hanson has only just begun.

Grayslake coach Troy Whalen said Hanson is a complete athlete whose mindset matches any natural or physical attributes he's been given. A three-sport athlete, Hanson is fully acclimated to the rules and rigors of competition and baseball is his main concern.

"He's a warrior, he's a competitor," Whalen said. "You can tell it in his build, his mental approach, he just wants to compete and he's one of those rare kids that makes everyone around him better."

Some might look at his statistics and think the size of Hanson's hat might match his strike-out tally. However, Whalen said the young man is actually very unpretentious about his abilities and what he is able to do on the field.

"He's a good kid, he's very down to earth, very popular and well-liked," Whalen said. "He's also very humble and very appreciative for what's he's been given. And everything he's got, he's pretty much earned. He's very coachable and that makes my job easier when one of your better players is always busting his tail."

As for the playing ability itself, Hanson said any assets he has on the field is the result of hard work from years of experience within the game. The pitching aspect also came naturally for him as he enjoys the control he has over the game.

"I started playing baseball when I was about six years old and it's my favorite sport, I love the game, it just means a lot to me," Hanson said. "I like being on the mound and pitching because I get to be in control of everything."

The physical aspect of the game didn't come easy, as he has been practicing his form since he began playing the game as a little boy. According to Hanson, his early days as a pitcher were quite ugly and he battled with control problems for a majority of his pitching career.

"It's all practicing and pitching every day," Hanson said. "It has a lot to do with mechanics and coach helps us out on that and you need to keep working at it. It's tough and it took me a while to get it, I used to be really wild."

According to Hanson, preparation for a single outing actually begins long before the field is chalked and the grass is cut. Whether it's from scouting hitters to simply focusing, Hanson is already at work before the game begins.

"Pitching has to do with a lot of mental ability," Hanson said. "I think about the game from the time coach tells me I've got the start, which



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Grayslake Community High School senior pitcher Doug Hanson winds up during a practice at the school. Hanson had 91 strike-outs last year.

'The Grayslake program's been on a kind of a low for the last few years and I'm trying to get that off ... I think we've got a good team this year and we're capable of doing good stuff.'

Doug Hanson
Grayslake senior

is usually about five days before the game. You've got to focus a lot, there's no messing around before games; it's got to be all about you, the glove and getting the guy out."

With such a simple formula for pitching, Hanson's got it down to a science. If there is any question about his focus, coach Whalen is certain to back his ace and his scientific approach to the game.

"He's just a strong presence, he's got a businesslike approach," Whalen said. "There's a

time to have fun and there's time to get down and be serious. Doug will joke around with the best of them, but when it comes to practice time, when it comes to game time, he's right there and he's making sure everybody on the team is also focused."

While there is usually some scouting prior to the game, the batter is actually the last thing on Hanson's mind. Whether it's a slugger destined for the big leagues or the normal, run-of-the-mill varsity hitter, Hanson's only focus is where he'll deliver the next strike.

"I usually don't even look at the batter, I just look at the glove," Hanson said. "I just focus on the spots I'm going to hit and what pitch is coming next and how to work the batter."

Hanson might have some lofty goals for himself for this season and into the future as he chooses his college, but his main focus remains within the Rams' program.

"The Grayslake program's been on a kind of a low for the last few years and I'm trying to get that off," Hanson said. "I think we've got a good team this year and we're capable of doing good stuff."

RoundUp

Baseball

The Rams rebounded nicely from a weekend loss against Mundelein, beating the Zion-Benton Zee-Bees 7-4 Monday to improve to 1-1 on the season. Hot hitting was the name of the game for Grayslake as the team finished with two doubles and a home run. Josh Damore led the Rams with the home run and also had a single while Matt Mulvaney and Brett Miller added a double apiece. Grayslake's defense also shined in the contest as Zion managed to get 12 hits, but were unable to capitalize on the offensive performance. The Rams turned three double plays in the contest.

Saturday's season-opening game against the Mustangs was a different story. Grayslake suffered from wild pitching, walking seven batters en route to the 4-3 eight inning loss. The Rams were also plagued by base-running problems, as the Mustangs picked off six Grayslake players during the game. Mundelein's Jay Schroeder led the way for his team, finishing 3-for-4 with a run batted in.

Girls Soccer

Grayslake's girls soccer team suffered a similar fate as the baseball team in the Mundelein game. The Rams dropped a 4-3 battle against the Larkin Royals Tuesday. Grayslake is now on the wrong end of a two-game losing streak and are winless in the 2005 campaign. The Larkin loss came in the opening round of the Buffalo Grove Tournament, which will conclude Saturday. The Rams' utilized a balanced attack throughout the game that featured three different Grayslake players scoring. Kelsey Lallansack and Katie Blesalda each finished the game with a goal while Liz Metzler was the Rams' principal offensive threat, netting one goal and one assist in the contest.

Unfortunately, the game came with a cost beyond the loss, as goalie Vicki Purdy left with game with an injury after Larkin's first goal.

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LIBERTYVILLE



Coach hopes sport can hold water

By Dan Patrick

Sports Editor

When the average person thinks about the good-time, All-American sport, water polo is probably one of the last pastimes that might come to mind. With a relatively small number of high school programs and the inability to play the sport without a competition-sized pool, water polo has had some difficulty gaining mainstream recognition.

The sport is also relatively new to the Illinois area as www.ihsa.org states the first year of a statewide series in girls water polo was during the 2001-2002 season. Regardless of its youth in Illinois, Libertyville water polo coach Maggie Castelyn believes it is truly something for sports fans to behold.

"People should watch (water polo) because it's a fast-paced, fun game," Castelyn said. "The athleticism of a water polo player is unbelievable because they're constantly moving and swimming in the pool. Even when a player doesn't have the ball, they're either treading the water or shooting up and down the pool. It can be very tiring."

While the sport might be new to the state, water polo has actually been a staple within sports for many years. The first Olympic water polo match took place in 1900. The basics of the game break down to teams made up of 13 players each with four seven-minute periods.

The rules for most people to remember are that players cannot touch the ball with two hands, except for the goalie, who is allowed to use both of her hands at any time. For every other player, the ball must be held in a baseball-like manner with the other hand used for treading the water. Players are generally not allowed to stand on the bottom of the pool, but sometimes this rule is not enforced due to the use of shallow pools in some water polo contests. If defenders interfere with a free throw, it results in an automatic ejection and players are only allowed two major fouls in a game.

While soccer might come to mind when looking at a water polo pool and nets, Castelyn believes the sport stands on its own two feet as an athletic event. The ball might look like a volleyball, the nets might be reminiscent of a soccer game, but Castelyn and her fellow water polo coaches are quick to defend the sport's originality.

"It has similar aspects to some other sports, but it's really its own sport," Castelyn said. "No other sport uses swimming in this manner and it's a really challenging game."

Major fouls? People unfamiliar with water polo might be confused by this term. While types of fouls in basketball might be second nature to the average person, fouls in water polo are a bit different. There are two types of fouls that affect the game:



Photo by John Dickson

Libertyville's girls water polo team competes against NSC rival Mundelein last Thursday. The Cats lost to the Mustangs, 8-4.

'People should watch (water polo) because it's a fast-paced, fun game.'

Maggie Castelyn
Libertyville Water Polo Coach

Major fouls and Minor fouls.

Major fouls are quite self-explanatory as it takes a major infraction to constitute the call. Major fouls include the offensive player intentionally striking the defensive player, holding onto an offensive player and inhibiting their movement, interfering with a free throw, sinking a player in the pool, misconduct and leaving the ejection area illegally.

"Major fouls do happen in water polo, but they're not all that common," Castelyn said. "Most players will rarely foul out, and most of the major fouls take place because of defenders trying to slow down the competition."

Minor fouls are the garden-variety mistakes every player can make in a game. Some examples of minor fouls include play-

ers using the side or the bottom of the pool to push off and gain speed. The sport champions good swimmers who are able to move freely within the pool without the help of outside objects. Other minor fouls include a false start at the beginning of play, deliberately holding the ball underwater, touching the ball with two hands and hitting the arm or body of an offensive player who has the ball.

Well, now that we've got the water polo basics down, the 2005 Libertyville Wildcat season can be addressed. The Wildcats came up short in a 8-4 loss against the Mundelein Mustangs last Thursday. Libertyville was led offensively by Rachel Spark and Nicole Cotton who accounted for the entirety of the Wildcat's offense and each finished with two goals apiece.

Unfortunately, Mundelein's high-powered offense was too much for the Wildcats as Siobhan Larsen led a balanced Mustang attack with three goals. Lauren Nelson and Dhara Pandya followed Larsen's lead and finished with two goals apiece.

"The Mundelein loss was a hard one for our team, but I'm sure we can rebound from it," Castelyn said. "Rachel and Nicole played good games for us, but it was what I have come to expect from those two players."

RoundUp

Girls Soccer

The Libertyville Wildcats fought to a 0-0 stalemate against the Evanston Wildkits last Thursday to start the season at an unorthodox 0-0-2. Evanston came out of the game with a 0-1-2 record on the season.

The match-up was a defensive battle throughout the contest as both teams split only 11 total shots at the goal between them with Libertyville finishing with a total of five shots. The Wildcats defense was bolstered by the play of goalkeeper Kali Feiereisel who finished the game with four saves. Libertyville's next game will take place Tuesday against the Zion-Benton Zee-Bees.

Baseball

The Wildcats lost an interesting high-scoring shootout last Saturday as the visiting Deerfield Warriors won 14-10. The loss dropped Libertyville to 0-2 for the season. The game was actually closer than the final score reflected as both teams entered the ninth inning in a 7-7 stalemate. Unfortunately for Libertyville, the Deerfield bats came to life in the top of the ninth as the Warriors tacked on seven runs to take the 14-7 lead. The Wildcats had a rally of their own in the bottom of the ninth, scoring three runs, but were unable to take the victory.

Libertyville junior Kyle Johnson led his team with two hits, including a double. Senior Alex Grant, junior Matt Dittman, senior Jeff Keske and senior J.P. Kenley each finished the game with one run batted in.

The Wildcats' first loss came at the hands of the Carmel Corsairs baseball team as Carmel defeated Libertyville 7-4 last Thursday in a five-inning game shortened by darkness. Sean McCreary led the Carmel attack as he drove in five runs with a double and a triple.

Libertyville senior catcher Brett Lancaster led the way for his team as he gave the Wildcats a 2-0 lead in the first inning with a 2-run home run off of Carmel pitcher Kyle Stone. Libertyville's scoring also came from RBI singles from Aaron Hall and Alex Grant, but their efforts weren't enough in the loss.

The Wildcats baseball team will next take the field against Elk Grove at home Tuesday.

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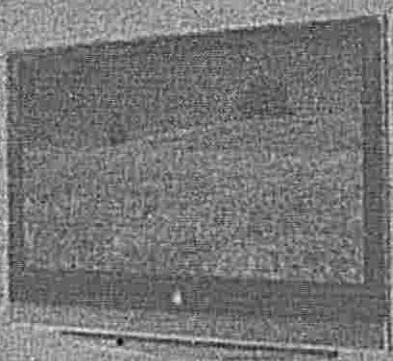


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Panthers motivated for turnaround

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

The Round Lake Panthers baseball team wound up on the wrong end of a tough 2-1 loss against the Wheeling Wildcats Monday. While the loss is certainly not the way Panthers coach Howard Conkling intended to begin the 2005 campaign, Conkling did find some positives within the loss – revolving mostly around strides the team has taken since the end of the 2004 season.

"We lost at Wheeling but I don't think there's any doubt about it, we've improved since last season as a team," Conkling said. "(Pitcher) Brad Kolff went six innings and struck out 12 batters. I thought our offense also did a pretty good job because it's the first time they went up against live pitching."

Kolff, a recent transfer from Schurz High School in Chicago, won all but one of his outings as a pitcher for his former school. Conkling said his staff was attracted to Kolff's skills from the beginning, but tried to remain calm because they had not seen him work in a game situation. Now that he does have a game under his belt, Conkling has now thrown caution to the wind.

"From what I understand, (Kolff) had a really good year for his other team, he had a 6-1 season from Schurz High School," Conkling said. "It's a good record, but I don't know what a 6-1 record means in the city. My staff and I were cautiously optimistic about this kid because he can really throw in practice. During the game, he struck out twelve and he didn't even have his good stuff, so we're expecting big things from him this season."

Conkling found Kolff intriguing not only because of any natural skill the young player possesses, but also because of the air of professionalism Kolff carries into the game. The pitcher had an impressive outing in his first start, however, Conkling is optimistic his new hurler has just begun.

"What excites me about Kolff is that he knows what he's doing on the mound," Conkling said. "When you're a coach and you see somebody who looks like a pitcher and acts like a pitcher, it can really get a coach excited. He was actually a little down against Wheeling and it's a shame that we couldn't get him the run support that he needed."

While Kolff certainly has what it takes on the mound, he has been plagued with the usual problems the "new guy" undergoes. Senior catcher Mike Hughes has taken it upon himself to acclimate Kolff to both the Round Lake High School culture and the team in general. As a result, Conkling believes he is quickly becoming a staple within the Panther locker room.

"He's all business on the mound," Conkling said. "Mike Hughes, our catcher, is kind of taking him under his wing and they're becoming good friends. He's becoming a good player and he's starting to gain his presence in the dugout. This kid's very important to our success as a team this season. As a person, he's nice and quiet and he's very businesslike."

While the Wheeling loss was close, Conkling was still understandably unhappy with the

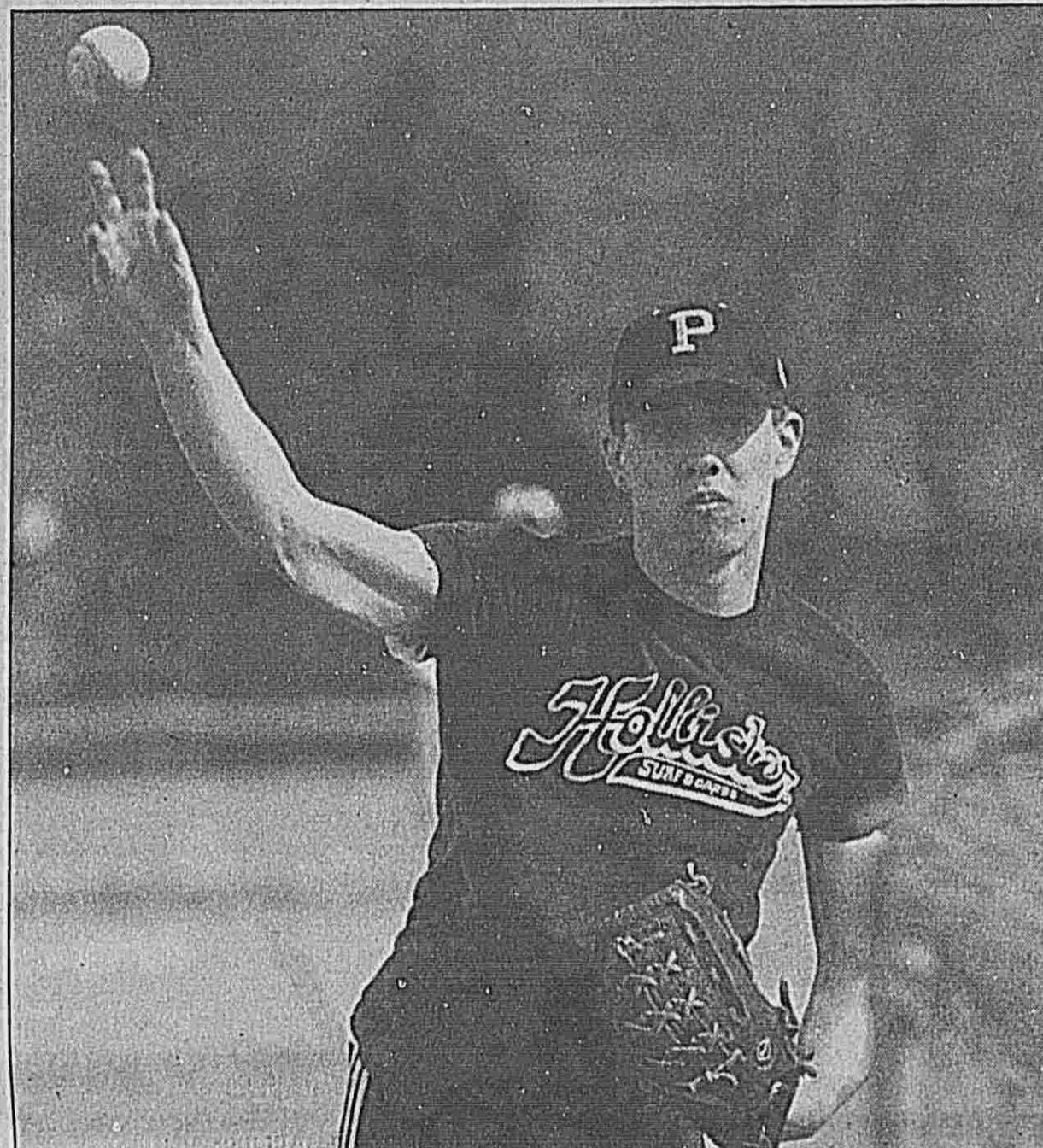


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Round Lake High School varsity baseball player Steven Chrzas pitches one in during a practice at the school.

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Howard Conkling
Panthers Coach

results. However, he believes the Panthers will be able to rebound from the loss well once the team gets deeper into the season and gains more game-time experience.

"I don't think any of the loss was on his shoulders," Conkling said. "We haven't practiced on the field yet and we had some guys strike out a little too much. I think the pitching and fielding was a little behind, you just have to get into the swing of things and get used to pace of the game again."

Conkling and his staff has a lot of optimism

for the 2005 squad. With a stable of battle-tested veterans, Conkling believes the Panthers can make a splash in conference competition.

"I think we've got a good shot at getting some wins and compete with it's just a matter of hitting," Conkling said. "Hitting is contagious. When one of our guys gets going, the rest of the team will follow suit and we'll be able to put up some runs."

The baseball team might have some optimism, but optimism and athletics have been almost like oil and water for numerous Panther teams. With a total of two wins between both the girls and boys basketball teams and an unsuccessful 2004 football season, Conkling wants to erase the hardships some of his players endured while participating in other sports.

"We're trying to use (Round Lake's lack of success) as a motivator," Conkling said. "Some of those kids who participated in the other sports like football or basketball that weren't as successful are now going to get the chance to get some wins. The big thing is teaching them how to get that winning mentality. They're unused to actually competing, so it takes a little extra to give them the killer instinct."

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Baseball

The Round Lake Panthers baseball team was unable to come away with the victory in a close game against Wheeling Monday. When it was all said and done, Wheeling took the 2-1 win in non-conference action. Schurz High School transfer Brad Kolff put up a good performance for the Panthers, striking out 12 batters in his Round Lake debut.

Unfortunately for Kolff, the Round Lake offense was unable to give him any run support as the Panthers finished with only three hits. Catcher Mike Hughes led the team offensively as he finished the game with two-thirds of the Panthers' total offense as he finished the game with a triple and a double.

Round Lake coach Howard Conkling said he was pleased with the level of Kolff's play despite the end result. According to Conkling, the ace could not have done more to help his team take the game.

"I don't blame any of the loss on (Kolff)," Conkling said. "He played a good game and he struck out 12 batters. If he's able to strike out that many when he doesn't have his A game, I can't wait to see what he can do when he's on."

Girls Soccer

The blue and gold's girls soccer team will return to action Tuesday against the Warren Blue Devils at Warren. Warren is coming into the game with a depleted roster as many of the Blue Devils' best have been the victims of injury. As for Round Lake, the game will be a welcome relief for the players as they have not played in a game since a March 22 game against the Waukegan Bulldogs.

Panthers coach Mike Hruska will depend on Panther stars Heather Carey and Sarah Divine to lead the Round Lake squad in the contest.

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WARREN

Devil duo armed and ready

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

Warren seniors Andrew Wolcott and Adam Worthington have been playing baseball together since they were 12 years old. So after five years together on the diamond, it's no surprise that the two have formed a bond on and off the field.

"We've formed a great duo," Wolcott said. "Me, Adam, Sean Lavery and a bunch of other players have become good friends. We're a tight-knit group."

Last season, as Warren won its first regional title since 1998, the Devils counted on the dynamic duo of Scott Shaw and Dan Spino. But the pair has now graduated, with Shaw at the University of Illinois and Spino at Illinois State.

However, Warren has another pair of Division I players ready to lead this year's team in Worthington (University of Illinois-Chicago) and Wolcott (Duke).

"Without a doubt, these are our top two guys," Warren coach Dar Townsend said. "We're going to go as far as they take us."

And that, Townsend hopes, is a North Suburban Conference title, a regional title and perhaps even a state berth.

The first great pitching duo was Warren Spahn and Johnny Sain of the old Boston Braves. Then came the Los Angeles duo of Sandy Koufax and Don Drysdale, followed three decades later by Arizona's Randy Johnson and Curt Schilling. While Wolcott and Worthington aren't quite that good, they are stoppers in that mold, according to Townsend.

"When they're on the mound they give us a great chance to win," Townsend said. "They're real competitive on the mound and the team has confidence in them every time out."

While Shaw may have put up better strikeout numbers last season, Wolcott was arguably the team's best pitcher last year, going 7-0 with a 1.62 ERA and 56 K's against just 16 walks in 55-plus innings.

"He was our No. 3 guy last year, but he pitched real well," Townsend said. "He won some big games for us last year."

And Wolcott will be counted on to win many more this year. "He's extremely important to the team," Townsend said. "He'll pitch in every big game we have."

Like any other staff ace, Wolcott thrives under pressure.

"I'm a big competitor," Wolcott said. "I like having the team counting on me and I like the pressure. I always think I'll get the job done."

Wolcott is able to throw four pitches for strikes, featuring a mid-'80s fastball, a curve-

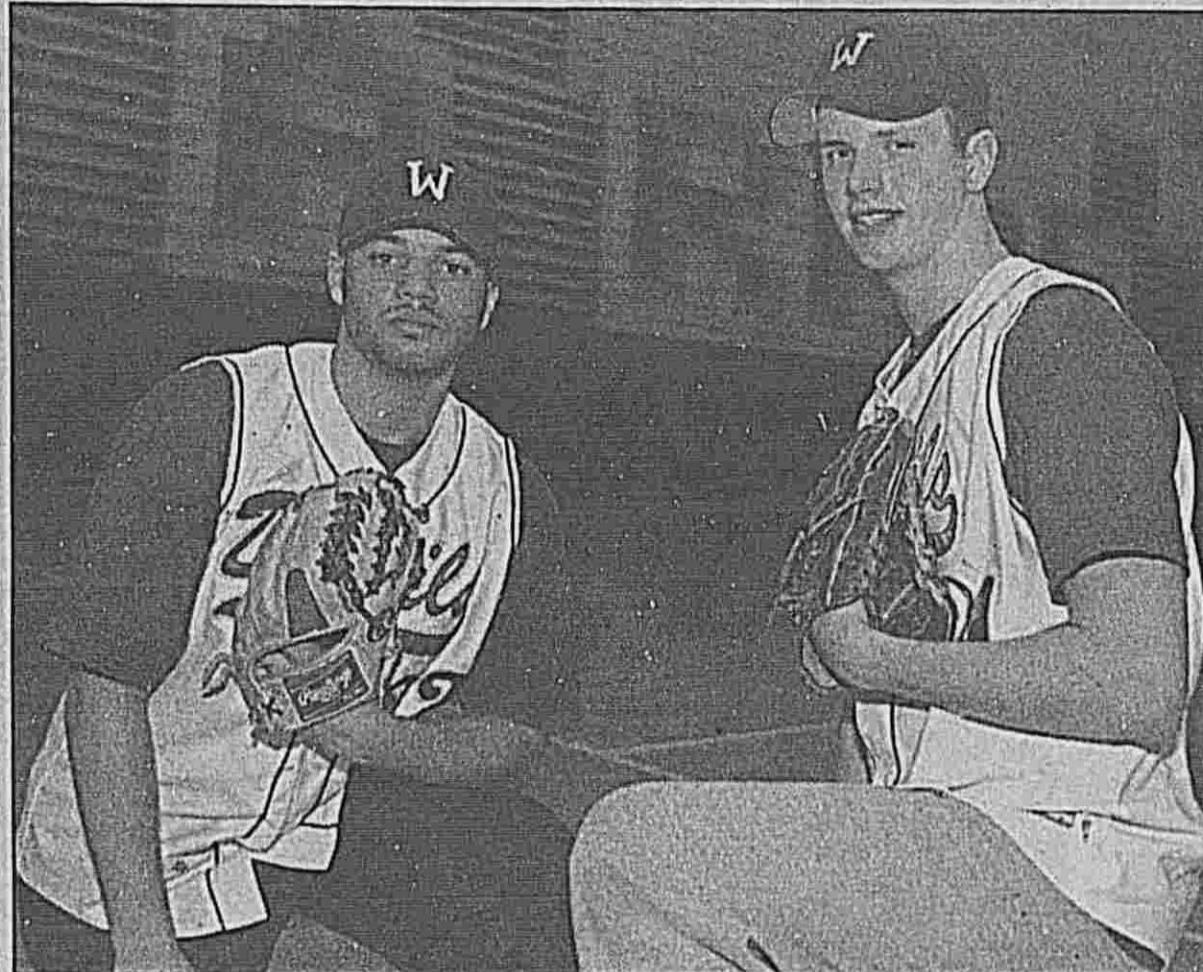


Photo by Sandy Bressner

Warren Township High School's Adam Worthington and Andrew Wolcott will look to form a dynamic duo for the Devils in their search for a second straight regional title.

'We've formed a great duo, ... Me, Adam, Sean Lavery and a bunch of other players have become good friends. We're a tight-knit group.'

Andrew Wolcott
Warren Senior Pitcher

ball, a straight changeup and a cut fastball.

"I really rely on my fastball," Wolcott said. "Then I mix in my two-seamer if I want to run it in on batters."

Although Wolcott is the team's No. 1 pitcher, Worthington is just as important, both as a pitcher and the team's starting shortstop the last two seasons. Last season, Worthington went 3-1 on the mound with a team-low 1.33 ERA and 43 strikeouts in 30 innings. He also .349 with a pair of homeruns, 15 RBI and 18 runs scored.

"He's more valuable this year as a pitcher, but he's real good at both," Townsend said. "He has a real strong arm and good action at shortstop. And he has quick hands at the plate

and he can drive the ball."

Worthington has an upper-'80s fastball, even touching 91 on the radar gun over the summer, to go along with a hard curve and a changeup. And he feels playing both ways gives him an edge over most players.

"When I'm batting I try and think like a pitcher and when I'm pitching I try to think like a hitter," Worthington said. "I think that gives me an advantage."

Also, like Wolcott, Worthington welcomes the pressure of being one of the team's go-to guys.

"It's not as scary as everyone thinks," Worthington said of the pressure. "It's a lot of pressure, but I wouldn't play without it. I like having people depend on me."

The duo certainly thinks that Warren is poised for a big season in 2005.

"I think we're capable of a lot," Worthington said. "We can compete and the highest level; we just need to execute in key situations. Our pitching and defense are excellent, we just have to focus more on our hitting and things will be all right."

"These are good, quality kids," Townsend said of the duo. "They've worked real hard to get to this point and I'm real proud of them."



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Baseball

Walks did in the Devils on Tuesday as the team fell to Cary-Grove 13-3. Mario Perez walked the first three batters of the game and was subsequently pulled. Brian Behnke then came in and gave up 8 runs on 10 hits in three innings.

However, Warren did prevail in a pitcher's duel against Waukegan on Saturday, winning 3-0. Adam Worthington (4 innings, 2 hits, 5 K's) and Andrew Wolcott (3 innings, 1 hit, 6 K's) combined on the 3-hitter. Derek Kofoed provided the game-winning RBI with a fourth-inning single.

Softball

Warren fell to 1-5 on the season with a pair of losses to Highland Park on Tuesday. The Devils dropped game one, 5-3, as Alissa Groeninger gave up 5 runs (0 earned runs) on 2 hits, 3 walks and 3 K's in 7 innings. Haley Myers went 1-for-3 with a double and Marissa Bell went 1-for-3 with a double and a steal.

In game two, Danielle Henry surrendered 7 runs (2 earned) on 3 hits, 2 hit batters and 2 K's over 7 innings as Warren fell 7-1. Suzanne Gersich went 1-for-3 with a double and Whitney Gervais went 1-for-2 with a run for the Devils.

The Devils split a doubleheader with Waukegan last Saturday, losing game one 5-4 in 9 innings, before bouncing back with a 10-4 win in game two.

Gersich went 2-for-3 with a homer, 2 RBI and 2 runs, Ashley Milam was 2-for-4 with an RBI double and Bell went 2-for-4 and scored a run in game one. Henry (8 1/3 innings, 5 runs, 2 earned runs, 5 hits, 4 walks, 8 K's) was saddled with the loss.

In game two, Courtney Whitlock (7 innings, 4 runs, 8 hits, 2 walks, 2 K's) got the win, while Carley Karwoski, Gersich, Milam and Whitlock each had 2 hits.

Boys volleyball

Warren improved to 3-0 on the season with a pair of wins over Washington and Morton on Saturday. Kyle Pearson, Jason Drake, Kenny Williams, Nick Redding and Sami Hanna each contributed to the wins.

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WAUCONDA

Bulldogs in 'wait and see' mode

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

Gauging a season can be an extremely difficult task, especially when the competition has just begun. For Wauconda Bulldogs coach Bill Sliker, the task has proven much more difficult than usual as he is still waiting for his next crop of star players to show themselves.

"The season just started, we're in a kind of a wait and see mode," Sliker said. "We're waiting to see who's going to step up for us and become a leader on the field."

The wait-and-see approach is also the approach Sliker is taking toward filling certain positions – namely the shortstop position for this year's roster.

"I'm looking at the shortstop position because there's two guys, Pat Stewart and Tony Ruiz, who are both in the running for the position," Sliker said. "Right now, we're just looking for an everyday shortstop who can play for us. We'll see who gets the nod because it's early and I haven't had enough time to look at both players."

As Sliker and his staff waits for players to emerge within the Wauconda locker room, some veterans have emerged as the leaders of the pack. Seniors Chris Hernandez, Hawk Haiduke and Brett Glaven aren't mere players with titles – they take the captain role extremely seriously.

"Right now, we've got a couple of guys back from last year," Sliker said. "Chris Hernandez, Hawk Haiduke and Brett Glaven, they are our co-captains and they're doing a good job of leading the team. Chris, Brett and Hawk have shined already offensively."

As for the actual luster of Haiduke's game, the senior has put up a stellar .889 batting average along with three doubles. Haiduke, a Lakeland Newspapers second team all-area basketball player, averaged 17 points per game and Sliker is certain Haiduke has carried some this momentum onto the baseball diamond.

"After three games, Hawk's 8 for 9 at the plate and that's obviously a pretty good start," Sliker said. "He's not just a singles hitter because he's got five singles and three doubles thus far in the season. I contribute his success to confidence. He had a good basketball season and he brings that confidence into baseball. Baseball's the sport he wants to excel in and he's doing a good job for us because he's just confident."

With such impressive statistics under his belt, some might think Haiduke has let his stellar performance get the best of him. According to Sliker, nothing could be further from the truth as Haiduke is one of the quieter members of the team.

"He's really not a vocal leader, but you



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Wauconda High School's Hawk Haiduke practices his bunting during a Spring Break practice at the school.

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Bill Sliker
Wauconda Baseball Coach

can lead by example and that's what he does for his team," Sliker said. "He does good things for us and the people around him want to do the same sort of things and that helps us out as a team."

While Haiduke has been hot thus far in the season, northern Illinois's weather has not followed suit. Sliker said the cold weather has taken its toll on his team and the recent break in freezing temperatures has been a welcome relief.

"I think (weather's) a big factor, it's been cold and baseball's a warm weather game," Sliker said. "It's tough to swing the bat and get a grip of the ball when it's too cold. But for right now, they're just happy to be outside and play right now. They've spent the majority of the last three weeks inside a gym so it's good for them to get

outside."

The great outdoors has also given the Bulldogs a welcome chance to work on true in-game mechanics. Sliker said the indoor-outdoor transition can be trying for a baseball team as teams blessed with better weather get more valuable practice time.

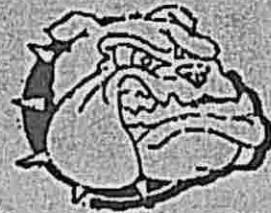
"We don't have a great big field house or anything so it's different when you have to throw the ball 90 feet as opposed to 60 in the gym," Sliker said. "It's very good for us to actually get out onto the field and play some real baseball."

Inside or outside, Sliker is happy with the level of effort the team has shown throughout the preseason. With such a work ethic, the coaching staff believes the Wauconda team can do big things in the thick of the regular season.

"They've been doing good things in the preseason practices," Sliker said. "They're a hard-working group, they want to get better, they want to compete day-in and day out and that's good for me as a coach."

While Sliker will always stop short of taking out his crystal ball and predicting the path for his team, he is confident his team will fight with any squad that faces them.

"It's hard to say where the team is going," Sliker said. "My goal is to just be able to compete in every game, be able to compete in our division and just be competitive in every game we play. If you can do that and work together as a team, then the wins will come."



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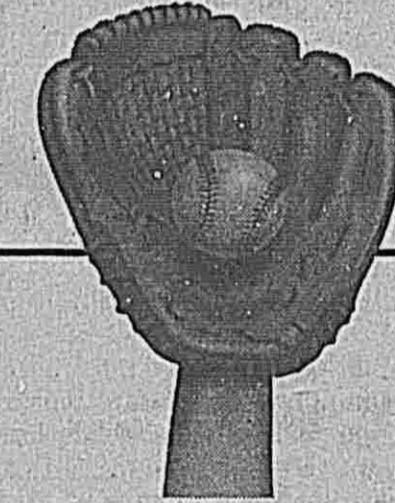
Baseball

The Wauconda Bulldogs baseball team came up on the wrong end of a 13-2 lambasting at the hands of the Cary-Grove Trojans. The Trojans set the tone early for the game as Cary-Grove began the game with a lead-off home run in the first inning. The loss drops Wauconda to 1-2 on the season.

Despite the tough loss, Bulldogs coach Bill Sliker said his team will be in more games as his players become more acclimated to playing in game situations. As for now, Sliker's team is simply biding its time and working on its game.

"It's still early in the season and I think we can turn it around," Sliker said. "I just want our team to be competitive and I think we can compete with some of the better teams in the area."

The Bulldogs' lone win came against Woodstock where Wauconda pulled out the 12-10 victory off of senior Hawk Haiduke's 3-for-4, 2 RBI performance. Haiduke wasn't the only Wauconda player producing as teammate Brett Glavey's bat came alive with a 2-for-4 performance with a double and a home run.



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WAUKEGAN

Trio has Bulldogs poised for solid season



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Waukegan High School baseball players Eric Krueger, Phillip Sims and Jordan French look forward to an exciting spring season during practice at the school's Weiss Field.

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

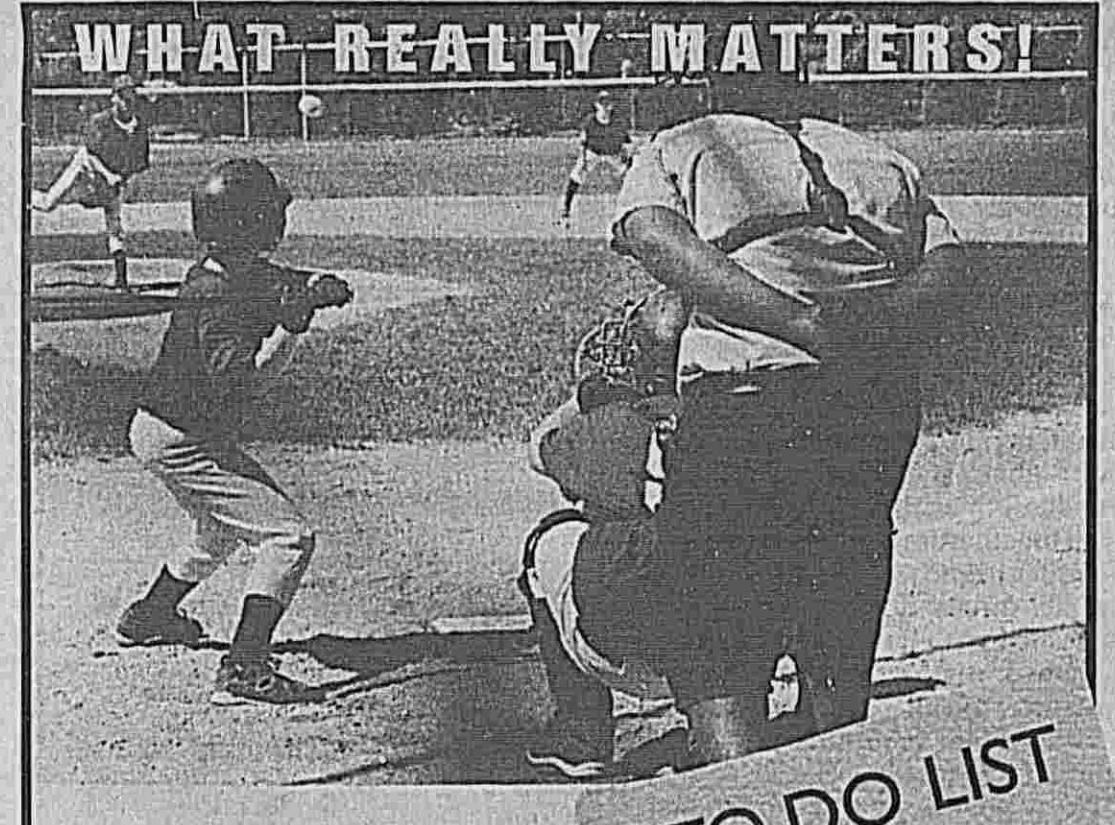
When asked of the last time Waukegan's baseball team had been above .500 in a season, third-year coach Craig DeLost was at a loss.

"I don't know, it's been a while — at least eight years," DeLost said. "Plus, there were some

one-win seasons mixed in there in the late '90s."

But, after going 9-22 in 2004, DeLost is convinced that the Bulldogs are in for a big turnaround. And Waukegan's senior trio of Phillip Sims, Eric Krueger and Jordan French is perhaps the biggest reason for the coach's confidence.

"We're going to go as these three kids go," DeLost said. "These are the first three guys to go



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Waukegan Baseball Coach

through two years of summer ball and it's showed. They've really made themselves into three good baseball players."

It all starts with Sims, the team's No. 1 pitcher and leading hitter.

"We're counting on him being an anchor for our staff," DeLost said. "He's tall, so the ball gets on top of hitters in a heartbeat. His fastball really pops. Plus, he's real knowledgeable of the game; he's a competitor and he's solid defensively. He's everything you could ask for from a No. 1 pitcher."

Unlike last season, when Sims predominantly threw just a lower-'80s heater and a curveball, he's added a slider and a circle changeup to his pitching repertoire.

"Last year, I was fine for the first few innings, but then hitters realized I only had a fastball and a deuce (curveball) and that didn't work," Sims said. "So I think adding the slider and the change will really help. Now I'm able to keep hitters off balance."

His battery mate, Krueger, agrees, saying: "Philip makes me look good out there. No matter where I put the glove, he puts it there."

Oh yeah, Sims is also a pretty decent hitter, going at a .426 clip last season. This season the lefty will bat cleanup for the Bulldogs.

"No one can get a fastball by him," DeLost said. "Plus, he really conditioned himself in the off-season and he's added some speed. He's also the best defensive first basemen I've ever coached."

Ask Sims what he likes more, pitching or hitting, and the answer will come quickly.

"Hitting, no doubt," Sims said. "I like to pitch, but with pitching it takes seven innings to get some satisfaction. With hitting, with a single, a walk or a homerun, you get instant satisfaction."

Like on the mound, Sims is not balking from the pressure of having to lead this team.

"I like it, I like the challenge," Sims said. "I think we have the talent to win the CSL South and we've shown great improvement over the winter."

While Sims is more of a quiet leader, catcher Eric Krueger has taken it upon himself to be the heart and soul of the Bulldogs.

"He'll run through a wall for you," DeLost said. "He's the toughest kid you'll ever be around and he has unbelievable leadership qualities."

"It's hard to lead," Krueger said. "But it's a great job. If you do it right, you usually win. At practice guys look to me, so I try and work hard to set a good example."

Normally the quarterback for Waukegan's football team, until a broken collarbone last summer cost him the entire season, Krueger has instead adopted that mentality on the diamond.

"He knows the staff and he knows what to call," DeLost said. "He's kind of an assistant coach on the field."

Krueger is also a terrific defensive catcher, according to DeLost.

"His arm strength has improved tremendously," DeLost said. "He's one of the best defensive catchers in the conference."

If there is a weakness in Krueger's game, according to DeLost, it's his hitting. But Krueger has worked hard in the off-season to improve his ability at the plate.

"Off-speed pitches just destroyed me last year," Krueger said. "But I've really worked hard on learning to wait back on those pitches."

Any coach will tell you that you need speed and defense to win, and center fielder Jordan French certainly brings both those aspects to the table.

"Jordan has a little pop in his bat, but he has the speed to beat anything out on the ground," DeLost said of French, who had 23 steals last season. "He can change a game with his speed. And his defense is great; he can get to just about any ball."



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Baseball

After getting rained out on the first day of their Kentucky trip, the Bulldogs lost a heartbreaker to Dixie Heights (Ky.), 5-4, on Tuesday.

"We dominated them from the first pitch," Waukegan coach Craig DeLost said. "But then we lost. This is maybe the worst I've ever felt (about a loss), as a coach."

Junior Ryan McManaman started the game, and went 6 2/3 with 2 hits, 4 runs, 4 walks and 6 K's. Waukegan took a 4-1 lead into the top of the 7th inning when McManaman hit a batter, got a strikeout, a walk, a strikeout and another walk before getting pulled for Ryan Loquidis, who then surrendered two straight hits as Dixie took a 5-4 lead.

The Bulldogs were poised for a comeback as Eric Krueger reached with one out. Then Joe Labus hit a ball to the shortstop who bobbled it, but Krueger was called out for runner's interference and then Labus was called out to end the game.

"Just like that it was over," DeLost said. "It was unbelievable."

Waukegan came out on the short end of a pitcher's duel, falling to Warren, 3-0, on Saturday. Philip Sims was the hard-luck loser as Warren's Adam Worthington and Andrew Wolcott combined on a 3-hitter.

Softball

Waukegan battled Warren in a double-header on Saturday, splitting the twin bill.

The Bulldogs took game one 5-4 in 9 innings. Warren took a 3-2 lead in the top of the 6th, but Waukegan retook the lead in the bottom half on a 2-run single from Katie Colver.

After Warren tied the game in the 7th, the two teams battled into extra innings, with Waukegan prevailing one a game-winning RBI from Haley Krueger, knocking in Courtney O'Connor.

The two teams were locked up in a pitcher's duel for the first three innings of game two, before Warren erupted for 10 runs in the final 4 innings, winning 10-4.

Jennifer Jensen got the loss for Waukegan while Nicole Holland (2-for-4, RBI), Colver (2-for-4) and Chanel Buckingham (2-for-3, run) paced the Bulldogs at the plate.

In addition to a solid record for the team, French has set a lofty individual goal.

"I want to lead the county in steals," French said. "When I'm on base, the pitchers have to worry about me, so that makes it easier on the rest of the lineup. I just try to get on base, steal second, steal third and set the table for everyone else."

No matter what the final record for this year's Waukegan team, DeLost feels that, thanks to this year's seniors, it will be successful.

"These are tremendous kids on and off the field," DeLost said. "Their work ethic is unbelievable. I wish I had them for another year."

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COLLEGE LAKE COUNTY

Reunited, and it feels so good

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

They say you can't go home again, but CLC sophomores Kelly Wells and Brittany Behrendt are doing their best to dispel that notion.

The duo both played for the Lancers last season as they went 30-18 and finished third in the state, but both elected to move on after the school year, with Wells going to St. Mary's (Minn.) and Behrendt heading to Northeastern University in Chicago.

But, for various reasons, the duo has elected to return to CLC, and head coach Sue Garcia, for one, is glad to have them back.

"They're both key members of the team," Garcia said. "We have seven sophomores back and we're counting on all of them to lead."

Wells was the No. 1 pitcher for CLC last season, going 15-11 with a 2.03 ERA. She was the epitome of control, with a 2-to-1 strikeout-to-walk ratio.

"She has real good control," Garcia said. "She's a real thinker out there. She's not a strikeout pitcher, but she has good location and she keeps the ball on the ground."

Wells features both a rise and a drop fastball, to go along with a curveball, changeup and screwball.

"I just try and throw strikes," Wells said. "If I strike someone out, that's great, but I'm just trying to get outs out there."

Her ability to place the ball where she wants certainly makes Behrendt's job easier behind the plate.

"Catching her is awesome," Behrendt said. "She always throws strikes."

Wells is also a key hitter for the Lancers, typically batting fourth.

"I just try and see strikes up there," Wells said. "I want to get the bat on the ball, get on base and let everyone else knock me in."

"She has power and she's smart on the bases," Garcia said. "And her pitch selection has gotten a lot better. We're really counting on her this season. She's our No. 1 pitcher."

Garcia will also count on the leadership of Behrendt behind the plate, as well as her ability at the plate.

"Brittany really knows the game and calls it well," Garcia said. "Not too many balls get by her and she has an accurate arm."

Although she bats in the No. 9 spot for CLC, that's not to say opposing pitchers should take her lightly.

"She's like another lead-off hitter for us," Garcia said. "She has good speed and she can bunt. She's really getting better."

Actually, Behrendt would prefer that the opposition consider her an afterthought in the lineup.

"I love the No. 9 spot because there's no pressure," Behrendt said. "The other team

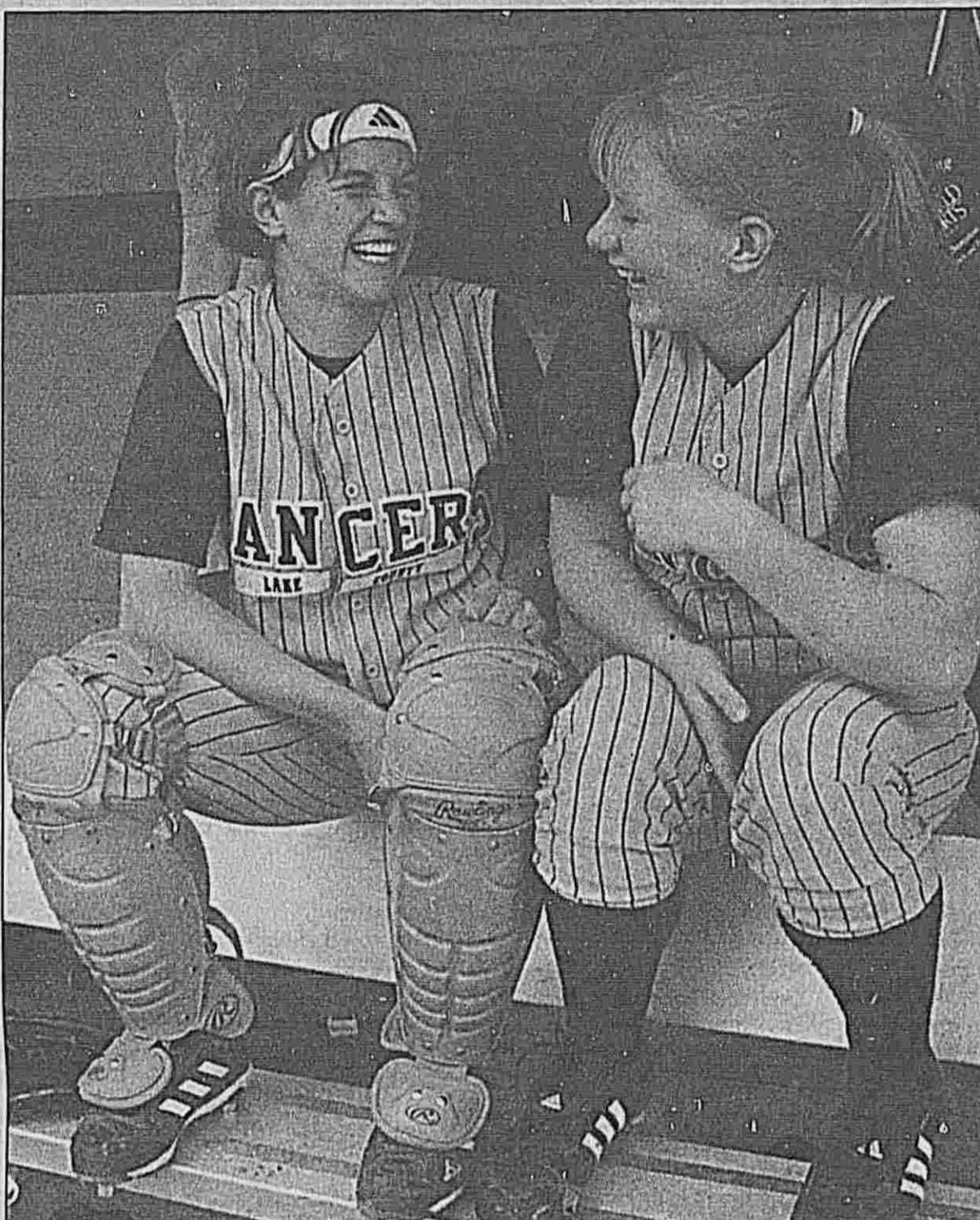


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College of Lake County catcher Brittany Behrendt shares a laugh with pitcher Kelly Wells between games during a double header at home in Grayslake against Oakton Community College. The players have been teammates since their days at Antioch Community High School.

'Our No. 1 goal is to win conference and then get back to state, ... I have a feeling we can do it.'

Brittany Behrendt
CLC Sophomores

expects me to not be any good so I get some better pitches. Plus, I know if I get on the top of the lineup will bring me in."

While Wells is more of a quiet leader, the same cannot be said of Behrendt.

"She has quite a few one-liners," Garcia

said. "She's very vocal."

"I just try to lighten up the mood," Behrendt said. "I'm trying to step up and be a leader; all the sophomores are."

While pitchers and catchers normally form a bond, that especially true of Wells and Behrendt. Both Antioch graduates, and have played together for four years.

"We're great friends," Behrendt said. "I know how she throws, I know her pitches and I know when she's having trouble."

Wells agreed, saying: "She's great. She really knows how to call a game."

And the two are determined to lead CLC to another outstanding season.

"Our No. 1 goal is to win conference and then get back to state," Behrendt said. "I have a feeling we can do it."

RoundUp

Baseball

CLC went 3-4 on its annual Florida trip, moving to 4-5 overall on the season.

"I would have liked to have won some of the close games, but they'll make us stronger in the long run," CLC coach Cory Domel said. "We worked out the kinks and started playing as a team. A couple of breaks and we could have come back 7-2."

The Lancers opened the tournament with a 10-0 win over Westchester (NY) as Derek Grant (5 innings, 5 hits, 5 K's) got the win. Tim Rawlings (3-for-3, homerun, 2 RBI) and Jason Acevedo (2-for-3, homer, 3 RBI) led CLC at the plate.

CLC also defeated Westchester in game two, 11-8. C.J. Walleck picked up the win in relief with 8 strikeouts over 5 2/3 innings. Josh Derouin (2-for-3) and Phil Gacinski (2-for-3, 3 RBI) each had solid games at the plate.

The Lancers dropped both ends of a doubleheader to nationally ranked Monroe (NY), 7-5 and 4-0, but came back with a 4-2 win over Monroe the next day. Mike O'Leary pitched a complete game to get the win while Acevedo (1-for-3, 2 RBI) and Rawlings paced CLC's offense. The team dropped the final two games of the tournament to St. Scholastica (Minn.) and Ancilla (Ind.).

Softball

CLC moved to 7-4 on the season and 2-0 in the Skyway Conference with a pair of wins over Oakton on Tuesday.

Kelly Wells scattered 7 hits over 7 innings and struck out 6 to get the win, and also went 2-for-4 at the plate. Kristin Lancaster (3-for-4, 4 RBI), Brittany Behrendt (2-for-2, 2 runs, RBI), Megan Mitchell (2-for-3, 2 runs, RBI) and Megan Gerken (2-for-3, 2 runs, RBI) led CLC at the dish.

Sadye McGrath gave up 4 runs on 8 hits with 2 K's in game two, as CLC won 10-6. Lancaster went 2-for-2 with a run scored, Alicia Cuellar had a double and three outfield assists and Mitchell and Gerken each went 2-for-3 with 2 runs scored for the Lancers.

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The fiscal audit (2003-2004) of the District was due to the Regional Office of Education by October, 2004 and needed to be filed with the Illinois State Board of Education shortly thereafter... Speaking with the Regional Office of Education, **THE REPORT STILL HAS NOT BEEN FILED WITH EITHER OFFICE! NO SCHOOL IN LAKE COUNTY HAS EVER BEEN THIS LATE!** (as of March 22, 2005).

During the School Board meeting on March 22, 2005 at Gavin South, the current board stated that Boller and Legat only offered to fix 10 of the broken trusses and nothing more. **CHECKING THE FACTS...**

A letter written by Ogletree Deakins (Boller and Legat's attorney) dated September 3, 2004: *“Boller and Legat would like to express once again our desire to repair and correct the damaged wood trusses and additional issues of concern listed in your August 25, 2004, 12-page document entitled ‘Gavin Central School Reconstruction.’ Boller and Legat are prepared to complete all items identified below in a manner which will address any violations of the codes at the time of original construction permitting and will provide a safe environment for the District’s students and staff. We propose to complete the repairs in time to reopen the school for the January 2005 start of the spring semester...”*

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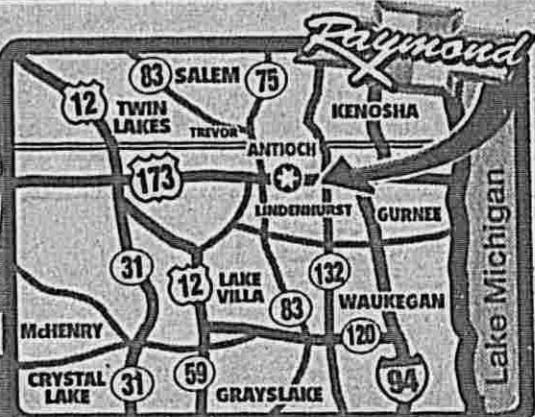
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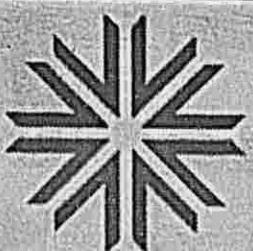
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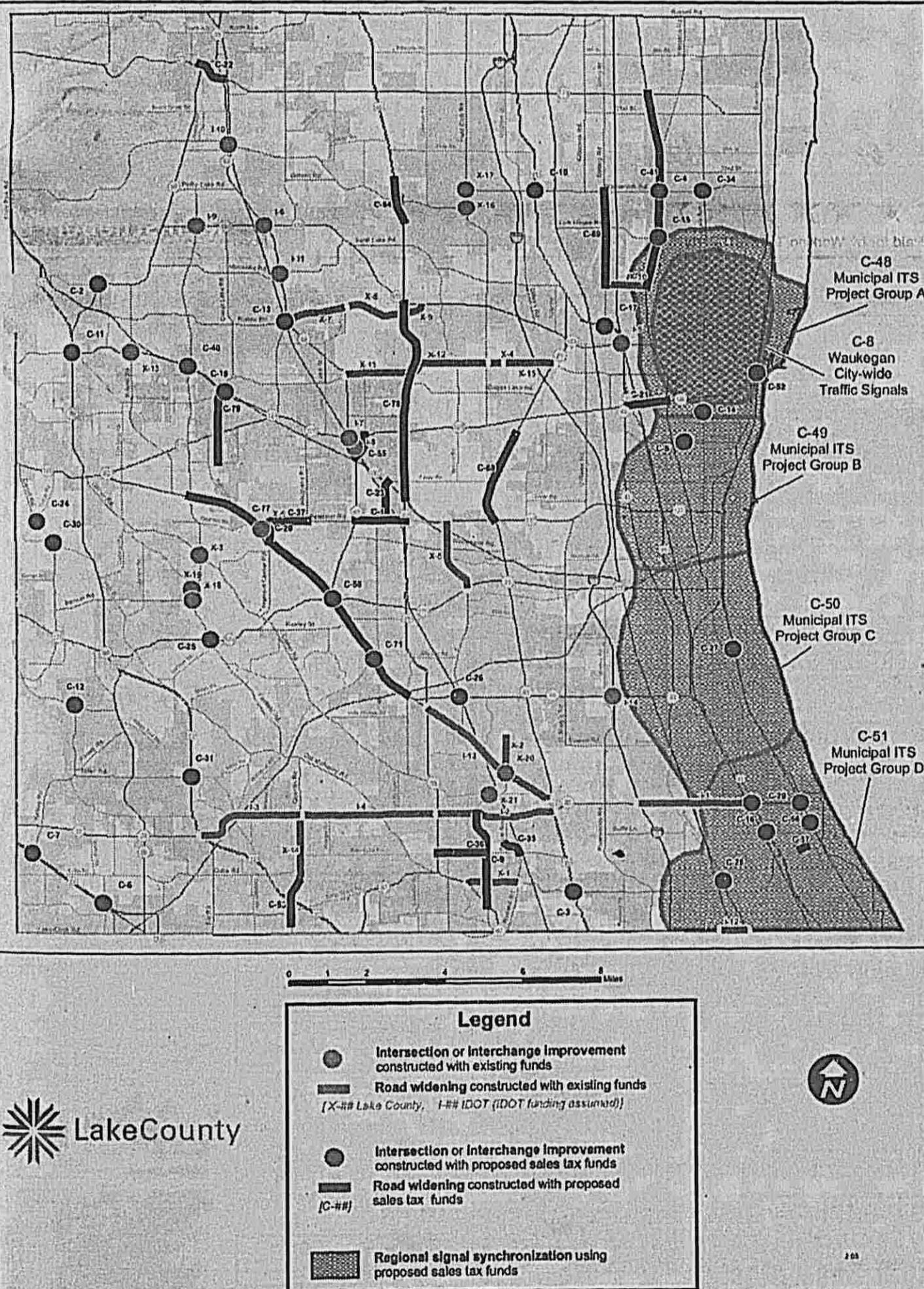
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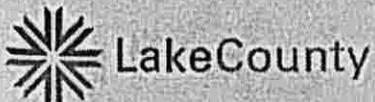
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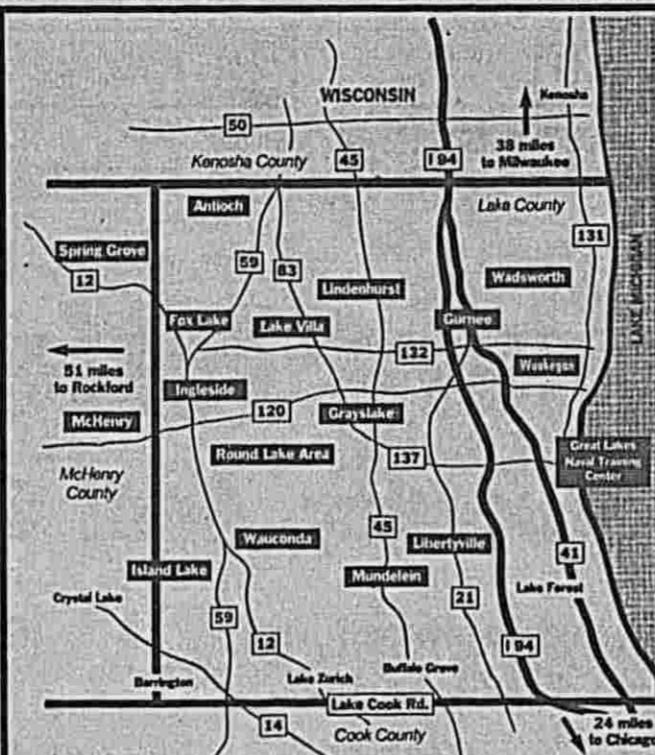
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Current Work Is A Higher Priority Than A Job Search
By Scott T. Fleischmann

In my experience, most people search for a new job because of dissatisfaction rather than opportunity. Although this is the wrong reason, those who follow this model fall into several traps that should be addressed.

These snags ultimately lead to poor performance and poor references. Over time, those who stumble will not be able to get better employment. Although the first time, an improved situation may be found. However, the next job search will need to address the reference of that employer. In addition, since a precedent has been set, it will be easier to commit the foibles in the next search. Let's explore some of them.

Firstly, those who have decided to seek a new job have limited time to do so. That precious commodity also needs to be shared with family responsibilities, friends, hobbies and other tasks. In order to find the needed time, some employees shorten their workday, arriving late, leaving early or extending lunch hours. This is not acceptable.

With few exceptions, managers will notice these stolen hours. The best managers will confront the issue. Those who are not as courageous, will only make note of the infractions and reduce the performance appraisal. In either case the bridge has been burned.

A second possible infraction is the use of employer owned property in the job search. Using the fax, copier telephones and other property is not only wrong, it is dangerous. Most telephone systems are now monitored. It is easy to leave the original in the copier or the fax machine. I know of few job seekers that want their current employers to know about the search.

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Likewise, it is wrong to use company supplies. Pens, notepads, printer paper and other supplies may seem like small items. However, when many employees pilfer, the cost of the products and services that we purchase is increased. Companies need to raise prices to cover the theft.

Finally, do not say anything negative about a current or prior employer. If they are doing something illegal or immoral, present the information to the proper authorities then let it go. If they are making unsound decisions, it should be interpreted as a difference of opinion. That is, you would manage differently than they are managing. If the subject is raised, it should be stated in that context, without disparaging remarks.

A current job always needs to be a higher priority than a future job. Those who misuse a current employer are inflicting self-destruction. Consider the needs of the current employer first.

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was acknowledged before me
by the person(s) intending to
conduct the business this
25th day of March 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
/s/Pamela Newton-Katoh
Notary Public
Received: March 25, 2005
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0401A-7111-FL
April 1, 8, 15, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE
Fox Lake Mini Storage will
sell goods for non-payment
from:
Unit 29 belonging to: Randy
Miller
Consisting of: Household
goods.
The sale will take place at Fox
Lake Mini Storage, 31 South
Arlington Lane, Fox Lake, Illinois
60020 on April 16, 2005,
at 10:00 a.m.
0401A-7111-FL
April 1, 8, 2005

**PUBLIC NOTICE
AFFORDABLE SELF
STORAGE**
Affordable Self Storage will
dispose of goods for non-pay-
ment from:
Unit # 40 belonging to Antho-
ny Raucci consisting of Misc.
household goods.
Disposal of the items will take
place at Affordable Self Stor-
age, 133 So. Route 12, Fox
Lake, IL on April 9, 2005 at
10:00 am.
0325D-7093-FL
March 25, 2005
April 1, 2005

**PUBLIC NOTICE
AFFORDABLE SELF
STORAGE**
Affordable Self Storage will
dispose of goods for non-pay-
ment from:
Unit # 87 belonging to Fred
Howe consisting of Misc.
household goods.
Disposal of these items will
take place at Affordable Self
Storage, 133 So. Route 12,
Fox Lake, IL on April 16, 2005
at 10:00 am.
0401A-7103-FL
April 1, 8, 2005

**PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application**

NAME OF BUSINESS:
Southern Exposure Tan Spa

NATURE/PURPOSE:
Tanning Salon

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
336 Peterson Rd., Libertyville,
IL 60048, (847) 367-7500.

**NAME(S) AND POST
OFFICE OR RESIDENCE**
ADDRESS(ES) OF THE
PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTION BUSINESS
Jim, Kim Rollins, 2306 Coun-
try Spring Drive, Johnsburg,
IL 60050, (815) 759-9611.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the un-
dertaxed intend(s) to con-
duct the above named busi-
ness from the location(s) indi-
cated and that the true and leg-
al full name(s) of the person(s)
owning, conducting or transac-
ting the business is/are correct as shown.

LEGAL ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

FOX LAKE, ILLINOIS
Public notice is hereby given pursuant to a Petition on file in the Village Clerk's office of the Village of Fox Lake, that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Fox Lake, Illinois, to hear the Petition of North Star Realty Services LLC (Beneficiary of Trust) and Tyrone C. Fahner, owner of the following described real estate to-wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

PARCEL 1: THAT PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4 OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 9, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4, 494.7 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE EASTERLY WITH A SOUTHEASTERLY ANGLE OF 78 DEGREES 16 MINUTES FROM SAID WEST LINE 210 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF ROUTE 12; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ON SAID EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4, 305.8 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING AND THE MOST WESTERLY CORNER OF THE PREMISES TO BE DESCRIBED; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ON THE NORtheasterly LINE OF ROUTE 12, 300 FEET; THENCE NORtheasterly AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE 270 FEET; THENCE NORTHWesterly WITH AN ANGLE OF 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE AS PRODUCED NORtheasterly 128.5 FEET; THENCE NORtheasterly AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE 50 FEET; THENCE NORTHWesterly AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE 125 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWesterly AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE 40.0 FEET; THENCE NORTHWesterly AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE 38 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWesterly 280.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 2: THAT PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4 OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 9, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: TO WIT: COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4, 494.7 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE EASTERLY WITH A SOUTHEASTERLY ANGLE OF 78 DEGREES 16 MINUTES FROM SAID WEST LINE, 210 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF ROUTE 12; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH EAST 1/4, 305.8 FEET; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ON THE NORtheasterly LINE OF ROUTE 12, 475.0 FEET TO A POINT WHICH IS THE MOST WESTERLY CORNER OF LOT 14 IN FOX LAKE MANOR; THENCE NORtheasterly AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE, 200 FEET; THENCE NORtheasterly PARALLEL WITH THE NORtheasterly LINE OF ROUTE 12, 162 FEET TO A POINT WHICH IS 13 FEET (MEASURED ON SAID PARALLEL LINE) SOUTHEASTERLY OF THE PREMISES CONVEYED, TO NED SAYLES BY DEED RECORDED AUGUST 23, 1951 AS DOCUMENT 736297, SAID POINT BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PREMISES HEREIN INTENDED TO BE DESCRIBED; THENCE NORtheasterly ALONG THE EXTENSION OF SAID PARALLEL LINE 13 FEET TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF PREMISES CONVEYED BY SAID DOCUMENT 736297; THENCE NORtheasterly 150.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 61 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 20.04 FEET; THENCE NORTH 24 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF DOCUMENT 704873, 165.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 69 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST, 20.36 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 25 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 46 SECONDS EAST, 18.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING) IN LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Location of property is: East of Route 12, South of Sayton Road, and Westerly from Christopher Lane.

KEGAN, AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST NUMBER 1027, TO ROY NORDSTROM AND HIS WIFE DATED NOVEMBER 15, 1960 AND RECORDED NOVEMBER 22, 1960 AS DOCUMENT 1090301 AND CONVEYED BY INSTRUMENT DATED AUGUST 6, 1970 AND RECORDED AUGUST 31, 1970 AS DOCUMENT 1471857 BY THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WAUKEGAN, AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST NUMBER 1027, TO ARNOLD BUSCHMAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND OTHER PROPERTY.

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

THAT PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 9, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER WHICH POINT IS 494.7 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH WEST CORNER; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY WITH A SOUTHEASTERLY ANGLE OF 78 DEGREES 16 MINUTES FROM SAID WEST LINE, 210 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF ROUTE 12; CONTINUING THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ON SAID EAST LINE A CHORD DISTANCE OF 305.8 FEET TO THE MOST WESTERLY CORNER OF THE PREMISES CONVEYED TO ELMER G HOMAN, ET AL, BY DEED DATED AND RECORDED AUGUST 3, 1950, AS DOCUMENT 704873 FOR THE TRUE PLACE OF BEGINNING; RUNNING THENCE NORTH EASTERLY ON THE NORTH EASTERLY LINE OF SAID PREMISES A DISTANCE OF 270 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF THE PREMISES CONVEYED TO ELMER G HOMAN, ET AL, BY DEED DATED AND RECORDED AUGUST 3, 1950, AS DOCUMENT 704873 FOR THE TRUE PLACE OF BEGINNING; RUNNING THENCE NORTH EASTERLY AND ON THE NORTH EASTERLY LINE EXTENDED OF SAID PREMISES DESCRIBED IN DOCUMENT 704873 TO THE CENTER LINE OF SAYTON ROAD; RUNNING THENCE NORtheasterly AND EASTERLY ON SAID CENTER LINE TO A POINT NORTH EASTERLY OF THE PLACE OF BEGINNING AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTH WESTERLY TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, (EXCEPT THAT PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF FRACTIONAL SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 9, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORtheasterly MOST CORNER OF THE DOCUMENT 704873; THENCE SOUTH 24 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID DOCUMENT 704873, 150.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 61 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 20.04 FEET; THENCE NORTH 24 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF DOCUMENT 704873, 165.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 69 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST, 20.36 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 25 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 46 SECONDS EAST, 18.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING) IN LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The common address is: 75 Route 12, Fox Lake, Illinois

Parcel 1: 102 Sayton Road, Fox Lake, Illinois
Parcel 2: 0 Sayton Road, Fox Lake, Illinois

Petitioner is requesting the following: Re-Zoning and Special Use

Said Petition is available for examination in the Village Clerk's office at the Village Hall in Fox Lake, Illinois

All interested persons are invited to attend said hearing and be heard.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Marr, Chairman
Fox Lake Planning Commission
Dated at Fox Lake, Illinois
This 17th day of March, 2005
0325D-7090-FL
March 25, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BIDDERS OPENING BIDS MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED

PROJECT: MANO A MANO FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
FDN, INC
REMODELING/RENOVATION
6 E. MAIN ST.
ROUND LAKE PARK, IL 60073

ARCHITECT: ARTHUR JAKL, ARCHITECT
6 N025 LINDEN AVE.
MEDINAH, IL 60157

Mano a Mano Family Resource Center HAS POSTPONED THE MEETING at which it will receive bids. Bids will be received until 5:00 P.M., local time, on April 7th, 2005 at the Mano a Mano Family Resource Center office located at 222 E. Main St., Round Lake Park, IL 60073. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids will be opened at 5:00 P.M. local time, on April 7th, 2005 and all interested parties are invited to attend. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Mano a Mano Family Resource Center's office hours are 8:30 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. weekdays.

Project could be started on May 2nd, 2005. The project must be finished within 60 days of having started the project.

As this construction project is to be federally funded, all applicable Federal labor standards and equal opportunity regulations will be enforced.

The successful contractor/Bidder for this project will be required to comply, to the greatest extent feasible, with all Section 3 regulations pertaining to provision of opportunities for training and employment to lower income residents of the project area and to the provisions that contracts for work in connection with this project be awarded to businesses concerned located in, or owned in substantial part by, persons residing in the area of the project. The project area is defined as the County of Lake.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this Invitation to Bid are expected to be funded in part through the HUD program for Community Development Block Grants.

Drawings and specifications may be examined at:

MANO A MANO FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
222 E. MAIN ST.
ROUND LAKE PARK, IL 60073
PHONE #: (847)201-1521-English
(847)201-1522-Spanish
FAX #: (847)201-1524

0401A-7113-RL
April 1, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PROBATE DIVISION
ESTATE OF RANDY M. REU)
Deceased.) 05 P 181

CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Randy M. Reu, of Ingleside, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on March 18, 2004, to Martha Jane Reu of Ingleside, Illinois whose attorney is Ronald E. Griesheimer, 321 Grand Avenue, Waukegan, IL 60085.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at 18 North County Street, Waukegan, Illinois 60085, or with representative, or both, on or before October 1, 2005, which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.

/s/ Martha Jane Reu by
(Representative)

/s/ Ronald E. Griesheimer
(Attorney)
321 Grand Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

0401A-7102-FL

April 1, 8, 15, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) SS

In the Circuit Court of the Nineteenth
Judicial Circuit, Lake County, Illinois
In The Matter of the Petition of
ISAAC MICHAEL JOHNSON)
For Change of Name)
Notice of publication

Public notice is hereby given that on May 6, 2005, being one of the return days in the Circuit Court of the County of Lake, I will file my Petition in said Court praying for the change of my name from Isaac Michael Johnson to that of Isaac Michael Booker pursuant to the Statute in such case made and provided.

Dated at Grayslake, Illinois, March 25, 2005.

0325D-7087-RL
March 25, 2005
April 1, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

To the legal voters, residents of the Town of Avon in the County of Lake and the State of Illinois, that the Annual Town Meeting of said Town will take place on:

TUESDAY APRIL 12, 2005

being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 7:00 o'clock P.M. at the Avon TOWNSHIP CENTER 433 E. Washington Street, Round Lake Park, Illinois for the transaction of the miscellaneous business of the said town; and after a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers, and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting.

TOWN MEETING AGENDA

- Meeting called to order by Town Clerk
- Pledge of Allegiance to Flag
- Elect Moderator
- Moderator sworn in by Town Clerk
- Approval of minutes of previous year's Town Meeting held on April 13, 2004.
- Reduce Permanent Road Levy rate from .10 cents per hundred dollars assessed valuation to .07 cents per hundred dollars (current rate)
- Clerk shall read statement of financial affairs
- Approval to sell Avon property to Mano-A-Mano
- Moderator to introduce Township Board
- Moderator to introduce speakers:
- Rick Dishman-Assessor
- Pat Anderson-Highway Commissioner
- Kathleen Lennon-Town Clerk
- Russell Christian-Supervisor
- Motion needed to make next year's annual Town Meeting at 7:00 P.M. on April 11, 2006
- Other business as necessary
- Public participation
- Adjourn Meeting

0401A-7105-RL, GL

April 1

900 Legals

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 8th day of March 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL
 /s/Barbara J. Noster
 Notary Public
 Received: March 8, 2005
 Willard R. Helander
 Lake County Clerk
 0318C-7062-MN
 March 18, 25, 2005
 April 1, 2005

900 Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS: Infomindsolutions
NATURE/PURPOSE: Reseller/Consulting
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANSACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 5324 Conifer Lane, Gurnee, IL 60031, (847)249-7645, P.O. Box 435, Gurnee, IL 60031, (847) 989-7645.
NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS
 Bonnie Phil Bjeming, 14 Devonshire Ct., Grayslake, IL 60030, (847)543-4588.
STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF LAKE

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

/s/ Bonnie Lee Ann Bjeming
 /s/ Phil Bjeming
 March 9, 2005

900

Legals

tions
Unit #R3611020
Occupant: Jessie Visocnik
Contents: Data center computer racks, tools, couch, cas-
ters, furniture.
Unit #3631020
Occupant: Mark Moldor
Contents: Carpet, installation tools, golf clubs, oak cabinets.
Unit #R4031010
Occupant: Ronald Cokenower
Contents: Antique desk & dresser, range, boxes.
Unit #R5101030
Occupant: Barbara Owen
Contents: Antique furniture, containers, boxes.

These items and all items stored in the above units will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Removal of all items from the premises must be within three days from date of sale and a security bond posted to cover same.

Sale will be held on April 9, 2005 on the premises of SAFEWAY SELF STORAGE 1100 W. Rollins Road, Round Lake Heights, Illinois 60073, (Fairfield and Rollins Road) at approximately 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. SAFEWAY SELF STORAGE reserves the right to withdraw any or all of the above mentioned items prior to sale.

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The Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency's Paul M. Neal Water Treatment Facility in Lake Bluff became just the third water utility ever to receive Phase IV "Excellence in Water Treatment" recognition from the Partnership for Safe Water.

This program is a national volunteer initiative developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other water organizations. Phase IV is the highest possible level of performance that can be achieved in the Partnership program, and signifies optimized plant performance.

Scholarship available

The Society of Women Engineers, Chicago Regional Section (CRS) has scholarships available for women college engineering students whose home is in a Zip code with these three numbers as the first three digits: IL 600-608, 610-611, and 613; IN 463-466.

The applicant must be a freshman, re-entry or transfer student accepted into an engineering or computer science program, by an accredited college or university for the Fall 2005 semester and have a GPA above 3.0/4.0 scale. Applications and information are available at www.swe.org/chicago. Deadline is April 15. Contact Laurel Jasek, Scholarship Chair at swechicago@yahoo.com for details.

Counties to share permit reviews

The McHenry County Department of Planning and Development (MCPD) and the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) have signed an intergovernmental agreement to coordinate and standardize permits for new development. Under the agreement, SMC will provide regulatory services to those jurisdictions whose borders cross the Lake and McHenry county line. The affected communities are Barrington Hills, Fox Lake, Fox River Grove, Island Lake, Lakemoor and Port Barrington.

"From McHenry County's perspective this couldn't be a better partnership. The

county is growing and we want to ensure that our standards for new development are consistent and our growth is undertaken in a responsible way," said Sue Ehardt, MCPD's director.

Consistency in development practices is the goal of the agreement. Both SMC and McHenry County have countywide ordinances in place that set minimum standards for new development.

Standards are defined for detention, floodplains, water quality, isolated wetland protection, and soil erosion and sediment control. The goal of the ordinances is to ensure that new development does not increase existing stormwater problems or create new ones.

Support groups for battered women

Community support groups for women who are dealing with abuse in their homes meet weekly in confidential locations throughout Lake County. All are welcome. No fees are charged. Currently, groups meet in Antioch on Mondays; in Deerfield on Tuesdays; in Round Lake on Wednesdays; and in Vernon Hills on Thursdays. Individual counseling sessions for battered women can also be scheduled at A Safe Place's counseling offices in Lake Villa or in Waukegan. Children's services are also available at no charge. For more information, call A Safe Place at 847-249-4450.

ISBE, NIU announce Illinois Honor Roll

The Illinois State Board of Education and Northern Illinois University announced the Illinois Honor Roll Schools for the 2003-2004 school year. These outstanding schools are recognized for their accomplishments in making progress toward or maintaining academic excellence.

Winning an award for Area Academic Excellence Schools was Prairie Crossing Charter School.

Academic Improvement Schools were Andrew Cooke Elementary School and McCall Elementary School of Waukegan.

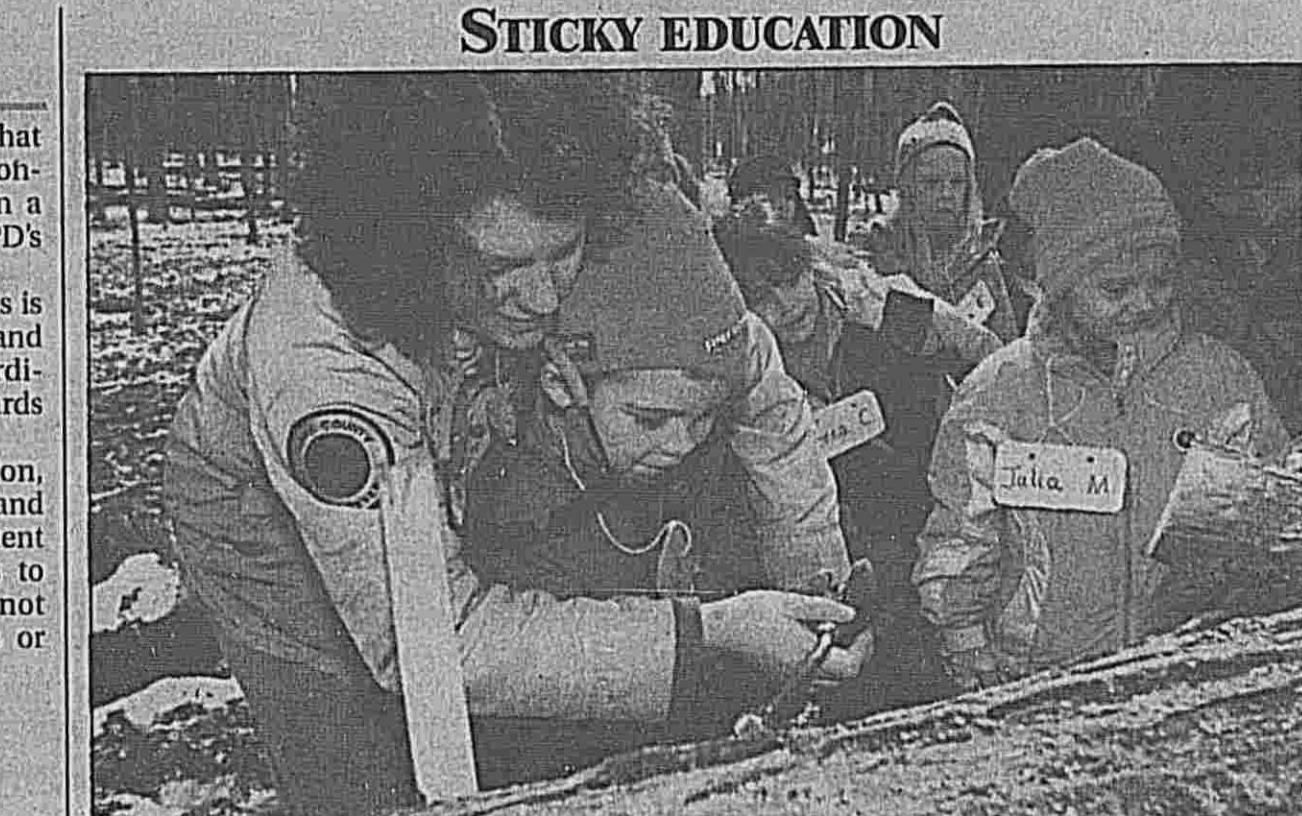


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Jack Devroy, a kindergartner at St. Joseph School in Libertyville, gets some help drilling into a sugar maple tree from Lake County Forest Preserve educator Jen Berlinghof during the students' tour of how maple syrup is made at Ryerson Conservation Area in Lincolnshire.

CLC an Internet leader among state colleges

A new report from the Illinois Virtual Campus reports that College of Lake County is a strong leader in Internet learning, ranking third among community colleges and seventh overall (including all four year public and private institutions in the state).

The report is called "Distance Education Enrollments at Illinois Colleges and Universities by Institution," covering fall semester 2004. Last fall, CLC enrolled 1,864 students in online courses.

"One important fact to note is that online courses continue to grow exponentially," said Page J. Wolf, instructional developer for CLC's Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning. "At CLC, there was a 41 percent increase in online course sections and a 60

percent increase in enrollments from fall 2003 to fall 2004. We are proud of the college's commitment to broaden educational opportunities to students via distance learning," she said.

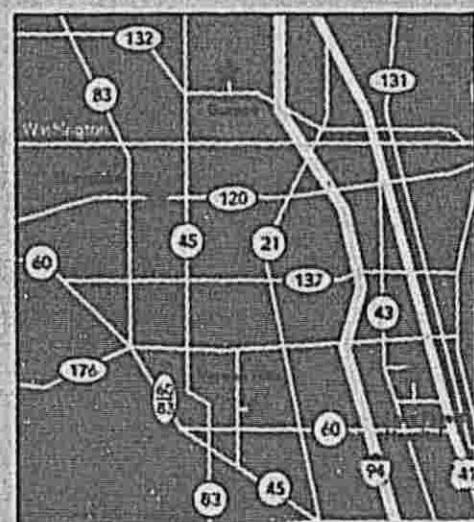
The executive summary of this report includes the following: "Illinois colleges and universities reported offering 5,279 online class sections that generated 80,165 enrollments during the Fall 2004 term."

This is an increase of 1,537 online course sections (41 percent) and 30,072 enrollments (60 percent) from the 3,742 online course sections and 50,093 enrollments reported for the fall 2003 term."

A copy of the report is available in a PDF version at www.ivc.illinois.edu/pubs/enrollment/Fall2004.pdf.



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